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1 [REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION

2 ON TUESDAY, APRIL 14, 2015 ON PAGE 217]

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6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THE APRIL 14, 2015 MEETING OF
7 THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BEGIN. FIRST WE'LL BE LED IN
8 PRAYER BY PASTOR RICHARD POOLE OF THE FIRST PRESBYTERIAN
9 CHURCH OF VALLEY VILLAGE IN THE THIRD SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT.
10 OUR PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE BY SERGEANT SAMUEL EVERETT, UNITED
11 STATES ARMY, RETIRED, SECOND SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT. SO THE
12 AUDIENCE PLEASE RISE, AND PASTOR?

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14 **REV. RICHARD W. POOLE:** WILL YOU JOIN ME IN A WORD OF PRAYER?
15 ALMIGHTY GOD FOR WHOM WE HAVE SO MANY NAMES AND SO MANY
16 TRADITIONS, WE THANK YOU FOR CREATING US, A DIVERSE PEOPLE,
17 PART OF A DIVERSE WORLD AND THAT YOU ARE LARGE AND FAITHFUL
18 ENOUGH TO HOLD US TOGETHER IN THAT DIVERSITY. WE ALSO KNOW
19 WITH THAT DIVERSITY COMES AN INCREASED LEVEL OF CHALLENGE, AND
20 SO WE ASK THAT YOU WOULD GUIDE AND BLESS OUR ELECTED LEADERS
21 AND ALL CITIZENS AS WE SEEK TO PURSUE AND ARRIVE AT A MORE
22 JUST, EQUITABLE, COMPASSIONATE, PEACEFUL AND SUCCESSFUL
23 SOCIETY, STATE, NATION AND WORLD. WE GIVE YOU THANKS FOR YOUR
24 FAITHFULNESS AND SEEK TO REST, RULE AND ABIDE IN THAT

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1 FAITHFULNESS THIS DAY AND EVERY DAY. WE PRAY IN YOUR HOLY NAME
2 AND GIVE YOU OUR THANKS, AMEN.

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4 **SAMUEL EVERETT:** PLEASE REMAIN STANDING AND JOIN ME IN THE
5 PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE. [PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE RECITED.]

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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9 **SUP. KUEHL:** I'M VERY PLEASED TODAY THAT THE INVOCATION WAS LED
10 BY THE REVEREND RICHARD POOLE FROM THE THIRD DISTRICT. HE'S A
11 THIRD-GENERATION CALIFORNIAN. BORN IN SANTA BARBARA, LIVED ALL
12 OVER OUR BEAUTIFUL STATE BEFORE SETTLING INTO VALLEY VILLAGE.
13 HE SERVES ON STAFF AT FAITH PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH AND HAS BEEN
14 AN ORDAINED MINISTER OF WORD AND SACRAMENT IN THE PRESBYTERIAN
15 CHURCH SINCE 2007 WHERE HE HAS INDICATED HE VERY MUCH ENJOYS
16 HIS JOB SERVING OUR COMMUNITIES. HE RECEIVED HIS BACHELOR OF
17 ARTS DEGREE FROM THE COLLEGE OF WORCESTER IN OHIO, WITH A
18 DOUBLE MAJOR IN RELIGIOUS STUDIES AND GEOLOGY IN 2003 AND A
19 MASTER OF DIVINITY DEGREE FROM SAN FRANCISCO THEOLOGICAL
20 SEMINARY IN 2006. REVEREND POOLE IS MARRIED AND HAS TWO SONS.
21 PLEASE HELP US THANK HIM. [APPLAUSE.]

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** MR. MAYOR AND COLLEAGUES, I'M PLEASED THAT
2 WE HAVE FOR OUR MORNING'S PLEDGE VETERAN SAMUEL EVERETT WHO
3 SERVED AS A SERGEANT WITH THE 10TH CAVALRY, 498TH BATTALION IN
4 THE UNITED STATES ARMY. HE SERVED OVERSEAS FROM 1990 TO 1991.
5 HE IS THE RECIPIENT OF THE GOOD CONDUCT MEDAL AND THE OVERSEAS
6 SERVICE MEDAL. MR. EVERETT IS CURRENTLY A STUDENT AT PASADENA
7 CITY COLLEGE AND DIVERSIFIED VOCATIONAL COLLEGE. HE'S A
8 RESIDENT, AS YOU WOULD EXPECT, OF THE SECOND SUPERVISORIAL
9 DISTRICT, FATHER OF THREE SONS, TWO OF WHOM ARE CONTINUING THE
10 FAMILY TRADITION OF SERVICE AND IN THE UNITED STATES ARMY. AND
11 SO, SIR, WE THANK YOU FOR BEING HERE WITH US THIS MORNING AND
12 GIVING LEADERSHIP TO THE AUDIENCE WITH THE PLEDGE OF
13 ALLEGIANCE TO OUR NATION. WE THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF THE ENTIRE
14 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS. AND WE PRESENT YOU WITH THIS CERTIFICATE
15 OF APPRECIATION WITH OUR THANKS FOR YOUR SERVICE TO OUR
16 NATION. [APPLAUSE.]

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18 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** GOOD MORNING, MR. MAYOR AND
19 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD. WE WILL BEGIN ON PAGE 3, AGENDA FOR THE
20 MEETING OF THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION, ITEMS 1-D AND
21 2-D. THESE ITEMS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECOND
24 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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1 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 4, AGENDA FOR THE
2 MEETING OF THE HOUSING AUTHORITY, ITEM 1-H IS BEFORE YOU.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
5 THOMAS. SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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7 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 5, AGENDA FOR THE
8 MEETING OF THE REGIONAL PARK AND OPEN SPACE DISTRICT, ITEM 1-
9 P.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE. SECOND
12 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

13

14 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 6, BOARD OF
15 SUPERVISORS ITEMS 1 THROUGH 16, ON ITEM NO. 1, THIS INCLUDES
16 THE ADDITIONS AS POSED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA AND ON THIS
17 ITEM A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT IT BE HELD. ON ITEMS
18 6 AND 7 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE
19 HELD. ON ITEM NUMBER 10 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND A MEMBER
20 OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD AND ON THIS ITEM
21 SUPERVISOR KNABE ALSO REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO
22 WEEKS TO APRIL 28 2015. ON ITEM NO. 11, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC
23 REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THAT'S 11. ON ITEM NO. 12,
24 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE REVISED TO
25 INDICATE THAT THE REPORT BACK TO BE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE

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1 INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER. AND ON ITEM NO. 16, MEMBERS
2 OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINING
3 ITEMS UNDER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS ARE BEFORE YOU.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO ON 10, WE WILL CONTINUE IT BUT
6 LET'S NOT CONTINUE UNTIL THERE ARE QUESTIONS AND THEN CONTINUE
7 IT. SO MOTION BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS, SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION,
8 SO ORDERED.

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10 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 11, CONSENT
11 CALENDAR, ITEMS 17 THROUGH 44, ON ITEM 17, A MEMBER OF THE
12 PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 20,
13 SUPERVISOR KNABE AND SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH AND A MEMBER OF THE
14 PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 22 AND 23,
15 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON
16 ITEM NO. 24, THE DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH REQUESTS THAT THIS
17 ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO APRIL 28, 2015. ON ITEM NO. 26,
18 27 AND 28, A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT THIS
19 THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON ITEM NO. 29, THE DIRECTOR OF PUBLIC
20 WORKS REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE CONTINUED THREE WEEKS TO MAY
21 5, 2015. ON ITEM NO. 32, SUPERVISOR KUEHL REQUESTS THAT THIS
22 ITEM BE CONTINUED TWO WEEKS TO APRIL 28, 2015. ON ITEM NO. 34,
23 A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ITEM
24 38, SUPERVISOR KNABE AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT
25 THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 39, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS

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1 THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD. ON ITEM 42, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS
2 AND A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS ITEM BE HELD.
3 AND ON ITEM NO. 44, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS
4 ITEM BE HELD. THE REMAINING ITEMS UNDER THE CONSENT CALENDAR
5 ARE BEFORE YOU.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL. SECOND
8 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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10 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 24, ORDINANCES FOR
11 INTRODUCTION, ITEM NO. 45, THIS IS AN ORDINANCE FOR
12 INTRODUCTION AMENDING COUNTY CODE TITLE 5 ,PERSONNEL, TO
13 DEFINE DEPENDENTS WHO ARE ELIGIBLE AND INELIGIBLE FOR
14 ENROLLMENT IN A PARTICIPANTS GROUP HEALTH COVERAGE AND TO
15 GRANT A ONE TIME AMNESTY TO COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO WERE FOUND TO
16 HAVE INELIGIBLE DEPENDENTS ENROLLED IN THEIR COUNTY-SPONSORED
17 BENEFITS VIA DEPENDENT ELIGIBILITY VERIFICATION RECORDS
18 REVIEW. ON THIS ITEM, A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUEST THAT IT
19 BE HELD. ON ITEM 46, THIS SEPARATE MATTER BEFORE YOU.

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21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECOND
22 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

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24 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** ON PAGE 25, DISCUSSION
25 ITEMS, ITEMS 47 THROUGH 52, ON ITEM NO. 48, THE BOARD HEARD

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1 THIS ITEM AS AGENDA NO. S-1 ON MARCH 24, 2015 AND AGENDA NO.
2 49 INCLUDES A RELATED FOLLOW-UP DISCUSSION. THE REMAINING
3 ITEMS WILL BE HELD FOR DISCUSSION. ON PAGE 27, MISCELLANEOUS
4 ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA WHICH WERE POSTED MORE THAN 72 HOURS
5 IN ADVANCE OF THE MEETING AS INDICATED TO KNOW SUPPLEMENTAL
6 AGENDA. ON ITEM 53-A A MEMBER OF THE PUBLIC REQUESTS THAT THIS
7 ITEM BE HELD, 53-B AND 53-C A MEMBER OR MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC
8 REQUEST THAT THESE ITEMS BE HELD. ON PAGE 30, NOTICES OF
9 CLOSED SESSION, ON CS-1, COUNTY COUNSEL REQUESTS THAT THIS
10 ITEM BE CONTINUED TO APRIL 28, 2015. AND THIS ALSO INCLUDES
11 ITEM CS-3 AS POSTED ON THE SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. AND THAT
12 COMPLETES THE READING OF THE AGENDA. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS
13 SPECIAL ITEMS BEGIN WITH SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT NO. 3.
14 SUPERVISOR KUEHL? OKAY.

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16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WELL IT'S A GREAT HONOR ONCE AGAIN TO
17 INTRODUCE TO OUR COUNTY AND OUR PEOPLE LISTENING AND WATCHING
18 ON TELEVISION AND LISTENING ON THE COMPUTERS OUR CONSUL
19 GENERAL FOR ISRAEL, CONSUL GENERAL SIEGEL WHO IS HERE TODAY.
20 AS WE KNOW, WE HAVE A VERY EXQUISITE EXHIBITION OF THE DEAD
21 SEA SCROLLS TAKING PLACE AT THE CALIFORNIA SCIENCE MUSEUM.
22 I'VE SEEN IT IN ISRAEL, AND I ENCOURAGE ALL OF YOU TO BE ABLE
23 TO SEE IT HERE. I COMMEND THE -- I'M ONLY SORRY THE COUNTY
24 MUSEUM DIDN'T DO IT. BUT I COMMEND THE STATE MUSEUM FOR DOING
25 IT AND I ENCOURAGE YOU TO SEE IT. CONSUL GENERAL SIEGEL IS THE

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1 LEADER OF THE CONSULATE THAT SERVES THE LARGE AND DIVERSE
2 ISRAELI AND ISRAELI-AMERICAN POPULATIONS IN SOUTHERN
3 CALIFORNIA ALONG WITH THE STATES OF ARIZONA, COLORADO, HAWAII,
4 NEVADA, UTAH AND WYOMING. IN ADDITION TO THOSE DUTIES OF
5 ISSUING VISAS AND PROMOTING TRADE AND TOURISM, THE CONSULATE
6 IS VERY ACTIVE IN PROMOTING THE CULTURAL SIDE OF ISRAEL. IN
7 THE FIRST THREE MONTHS OF THIS YEAR, THERE HAVE BEEN 10 MAJOR
8 ART EVENTS, INCLUDING THE SCREENING OF A FEATURE FILM "ZERO
9 MOTIVATION," THE WORLD PREMIER OF A DANCE AND ART EVENT, AN
10 ARTS EXHIBITION AND AN INTERNATIONAL TOUR OF THE WELL KNOWN
11 ISRAELI BAND. IN ADDITION, THEY ARE SPONSORING A COMPETITION
12 FOR COLLEGE STUDENTS TO PROVIDE A VIDEO, A 10 TO 90-SECOND
13 VIDEO TELLING WHAT MAKES THEM PASSIONATE ABOUT ISRAEL. THE
14 WINNER WILL RECEIVE A FREE TRIP TO ISRAEL TO MEET THE
15 PRESIDENT AND THE THREE FINALISTS WILL WIN A TRIP TO
16 WASHINGTON, D.C. TO MEET THE AMBASSADOR FOR ISRAEL. PERHAPS
17 THE MAJOR EVENT AS I'VE MENTIONED IS THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS AT
18 THE CALIFORNIA SCIENCE CENTER IN EXPOSITION PARK. IT OPENED ON
19 MARCH 10TH, THERE WILL BE A CENTERPIECE OF THE RECEPTION
20 CELEBRATING ISRAEL'S 67TH ANNIVERSARY INDEPENDENCE DAY WHICH
21 WILL BE HELD AT THAT CENTER. THE BOARD IS GOING TO WASHINGTON,
22 D.C. NEXT WEEK, AND WE WANT TO GIVE A PROCLAMATION SIGNED BY
23 THE FIVE SUPERVISORS TO YOU, CONSUL GENERAL, FOR THIS. AND WE
24 WANT YOU TO SAY A FEW WORDS BUT WE JUST APPRECIATE YOUR
25 LEADERSHIP AND FRIENDSHIP.

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2 **CONSUL GENERAL DAVID SIEGEL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. [APPLAUSE.]

3 WELL THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR, FOR HOSTING US AND ALL

4 THE SUPERVISORS HERE. IT'S A GREAT HONOR FOR THE STATE OF

5 ISRAEL TO BE A PARTNER OF THE UNITED STATES. IT'S A GREAT

6 HONOR FOR ME TO BE THE CONSUL GENERAL OF ISRAEL TO THE

7 SOUTHWEST UNITED STATES. LAST WEEK THE JEWISH PEOPLE

8 CELEBRATED PASSOVER, WHICH IS A UNIVERSAL HOLIDAY OF EXODUS

9 FROM EGYPT AND LIBERATION FROM SLAVERY, WHICH ARE VALUES THAT

10 WE ALL SHARE. AND FOR 2,000 YEARS DURING PASSOVER, JEWS HOPED

11 AND PRAYED TO RETURN NEXT YEAR TO JERUSALEM. WE STILL SAY THAT

12 AT THE END OF THE SERVICE EVERY YEAR. AND FOR THE LAST 67

13 YEARS, WE HAVE BEEN SO PROUD OF THE FACT THAT WE HAVE A MODERN

14 STATE OF ISRAEL, THAT WE HAVE RETURNED TO JERUSALEM. AND FOR

15 67 YEARS, ISRAEL HAS BEEN A BEACON OF DEMOCRACY AND DIVERSITY

16 IN THE MIDDLE EAST, AND ESPECIALLY TODAY WHEN WE SEE THE

17 MIDDLE EAST AS A REGION WITH SO MANY DIFFICULTIES, AND ISRAEL

18 BEING A STRONG, STABLE, DIVERSE, MULTICULTURAL SOCIETY,

19 DEMOCRACY, A FRIEND OF THE UNITED STATES THAT IS PERFECTING

20 TECHNOLOGIES THAT ARE IMPORTANT FOR MANKIND, FOR HUMANKIND. SO

21 IF ISRAEL'S IN A DESERT REGION AND CALIFORNIA'S IN A DESERT

22 REGION, ISRAEL EXPERIENCING A DROUGHT, CALIFORNIA EXPERIENCING

23 A DROUGHT, ISRAEL HAS SOLUTIONS THAT IT CAN BRING TO THE

24 UNITED STATES, BRING TO THE SOUTHWEST, BRING TO CALIFORNIA TO

25 DEAL WITH ISSUES THAT WE ALL FACE TOGETHER: FIGHTING THE

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1 DROUGHT, OVERCOMING THE DESERT, WORKING ON SUSTAINABLE
2 ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS, WORKING ON TECHNOLOGY, ON CYBER
3 SECURITY, ON HEALTH, ON TRAUMA, ON MENTAL HEALTH IN THE INNER
4 CITY AND MANY, MANY ISSUES THAT WE DO TOGETHER. WE'RE GREAT
5 ALLIES. WE SHARE INTERESTS. AND WE SHARE VALUES THAT GO BACK
6 THOUSANDS OF YEARS TO THESE DEAD SEA SCROLLS THAT WE ALL
7 SHARE, ALL GREAT RELIGIONS, WHETHER YOU'RE JEWISH OR CHRISTIAN
8 OR MUSLIM, THESE ARE OUR FOUNDATIONAL DOCUMENTS OF OUR SHARED
9 CIVILIZATION. SO WE'RE VERY PROUD TO HAVE THE DEAD SEA SCROLLS
10 HERE AT THE CALIFORNIA SCIENCE CENTER. IT'S BEEN SOLD OUT
11 EVERY DAY SINCE IT OPENED. OVER 15,000 PEOPLE HAVE SEEN IT
12 EVERY DAY OVER THE LAST MONTH. SO IF YOU GO, PLAN IN ADVANCE
13 TO GO AND SEE IT. IT'S A WONDERFUL, WONDERFUL EXPERIENCE FOR
14 EVERYONE. SO IT'S A GREAT HONOR TO BE HERE TO REPRESENT THE
15 STATE OF ISRAEL AND WE'LL CONTINUE WORKING ON OUR SHARED
16 CHALLENGES AND OPPORTUNITIES TOGETHER. THANK YOU VERY MUCH.
17 [APPLAUSE.]

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19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** TODAY IS TAKE OUR DAUGHTERS AND SONS
20 TO WORKDAY IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. AND THIS WAS
21 DESIGNATED MORE THAN JUST A CAREER DAY. IT PROVIDES ALL OF OUR
22 YOUNG PEOPLE HERE AN OPPORTUNITY TO SEE WHAT THEIR PARENTS DO
23 AND HOW THE FUNCTION OF COUNTY GOVERNMENT OPERATES. AND
24 ENCOURAGE THEM TO STUDY EXTRA HARD YOUR GOVERNMENT AND YOUR
25 SOCIAL STUDIES AND SO ONE DAY YOU WILL OCCUPY THESE POSITIONS

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1 IN THE FUTURE. IT PROVIDES AN OPPORTUNITY TO EXPLORE HOW YOU
2 CAN IMPROVE YOUR EDUCATION AND SEE THE POSSIBILITIES IN YOUR
3 OWN LIFE AND THAT. SO WE HAVE CARLOS HERNANDEZ WHO IS
4 DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR, HE WILL COME LATER, BUT FIRST WE WILL
5 RECOGNIZE SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS. AND SUPERVISOR KNABE.

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7 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I HAVE TWO QUICK
8 PRESENTATIONS AND I WANT TO REALLY THANK YOU, MAYOR, FOR
9 BRINGING THIS IDEA HERE ALMOST 20 YEARS AGO BECAUSE YOU
10 INITIATED THIS. AND I KNOW THAT AS A FORMER LEGISLATOR, WE
11 USED TO DO THIS IN SACRAMENTO AS WELL AS EVEN IN THE CONGRESS,
12 BELIEVE IT OR NOT. BUT IT'S EVOLVED FROM BRING YOUR DAUGHTERS
13 TO NOW BRING YOUR SONS AND DAUGHTERS. SO I THINK IT'S A
14 WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY FOR OUR YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE HERE. AND I'M
15 EXCITED THAT THE THEME OF THIS YEAR IS EMPOWER, KNOWLEDGE PLUS
16 CHOICE EQUAL STRENGTH. HOW AWESOME. SO I WANTED TO INVITE TWO
17 OF MY RECIPIENTS UP HERE TODAY AKIO PINEDOWHO IS THE SON OF MY
18 STAFFER, JOANNE. HE IS IN THE FIFTH GRADE AND LOVES TO READ
19 AND PLAY MINE CRAFT. WE WANT TO THANK THANK YOU, AKIO.

20 [APPLAUSE.] AND I WANT TO INTRODUCE ALSO SOMEONE WHO IS VERY
21 SPECIAL TO ME. MY GODSON AND NEPHEW, AVI PASOBANI WHO IS 12
22 YEARS OLD. HE IS IN THE SEVENTH GRADE. AND ONE THING THAT I
23 REMEMBER THAT WAS REALLY AWESOME THAT HAPPENED A FEW YEARS AGO
24 IS HE GOT TO MEET PRESIDENT BARACK OBAMA IN THE OVAL OFFICE.
25 AND GUESS WHAT HE DID? INSTEAD OF SITTING THERE AND GETTING

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1 HIS AUTOGRAPH, HE SAID, "MR. PRESIDENT, CAN I TAKE A PICTURE
2 WITH FLAT STANLEY"? DO YOU KNOW WHAT I MEAN FLAT STANLEY? FLAT
3 STANLEY IS SOMEONE YOU TAKE AROUND THE COUNTRY. AND HE WAS
4 ABLE TO DO THAT IN FRONT OF THE PRESIDENT IN FRONT OF HIS DESK
5 IN THE OVAL OFFICE. THANKS FOR BEING HERE AND THANKS FOR BEING
6 A PART OF THIS, BOTH OF YOU. [APPLAUSE.] SUPERVISOR KNABE?

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8 **SUP. KNABE:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I'D LIKE TO ASK JENNIFER
9 KOTKE TO COME FORWARD, PLEASE, FROM THE ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL
10 DISTRICT THE WINNERS OF OUR SAFE COMMUNITIES DISTRICT- WIDE
11 POSTER CONTEST. THIS YEAR APRIL 12-18 IS BEING PROCLAIMED AS
12 SAFE COMMUNITIES WEEK HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. SAFE
13 COMMUNITIES WEEK WAS ESTABLISHED A NUMBER OF YEARS AGO BY THE
14 EAST SAN GABRIEL ANTI-GANG ADVISORY TASKFORCE AS WELL AS OUR
15 OPERATION SAFE COMMUNITY COALITIONS MADE UP OF REPRESENTATIVES
16 OF LAW ENFORCEMENT, SERVICE CLUBS, SCHOOLS, CIVIC OFFICIALS,
17 COMMUNITY-BASED AGENCIES AND CONCERNED RESIDENTS WHOSE PRIMARY
18 GOAL WAS TO PROMOTE THE PURSUIT OF A HEALTHIER, SAFER
19 ENVIRONMENT FOR OUR CHILDREN AND FUTURE GENERATIONS. OPERATION
20 SAFE COMMUNITY, THE ROWLAND UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT, AND THE
21 WALNUT-DIAMOND BAR SHERIFF'S STATION HAVE PARTNERED IN THIS
22 EFFORT TO RID OUR COMMUNITY'S FEAR OF CRIME AND HAVE JOINED
23 FORCES TO WORK IN ALL ASPECTS OF CRIME PREVENTION. THIS YEAR
24 THE ANNUAL SAFE COMMUNITY FESTIVAL WILL BE HELD AT THE BRAND
25 NEW ROWLAND HEIGHTS COMMUNITY CENTER THIS SATURDAY FROM 10

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1 A.M. TO 2 P.M. IN CELEBRATION OF THAT GRAND OPENING, WE HAVE
2 COMBINED THE RIBBON CUTTING WITH THE SAFE COMMUNITIES FESTIVAL
3 FOR ALL THE RESIDENTS TO ENJOY. SO ON BEHALF -- WE HAD A
4 LITTLE VISIT UPSTAIRS AND TOURS AND THINGS. WE PRESENTED THEM
5 THEIR SCROLLS. AND THEY GOT, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU HAVE YOUR
6 DRAWINGS WITH YOU, IF YOU COULD SHOW THOSE, AS WELL, TOO.
7 THESE ARE THE WINNERS OUT OF A HUGE NUMBER OF DRAWINGS THAT WE
8 HAD TO JUDGE. SO WE WANT TO GIVE THEM A BIG ROUND OF APPLAUSE
9 UP HERE. [APPLAUSE.] SO ON BEHALF OF MY COLLEAGUES AND THE
10 BOARD, WE'D LIKE TO PRESENT THE SCROLL TO JENNIFER, WHO IS THE
11 COCHAIR ONCE AGAIN OF OPERATION SAFE COMMUNITIES FOR HER
12 CONTINUED EFFORTS IN CREATING A SAFE COMMUNITY. JENNIFER?
13

14 **SPEAKER:** WE WOULD JUST LIKE TO THANK THE COUNTY FOR THEIR
15 UNENDING SUPPORT FOR THIS EVENT. WE'VE BEEN 23 YEARS IN THE
16 MAKING. IT'S MADE ALL THE DIFFERENCE IN OUR COMMUNITIES. WE
17 HAVE A VERY DIVERSE AND COMPLEX COMMUNITY AND WE WANT TO THANK
18 YOU AGAIN FOR YOUR SUPPORT.
19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE HAVE THE DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR
21 FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT CARLOS HERNANDEZ WHO IS
22 RECOGNIZED, AS I SAID, THE 2015 DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR. WITH
23 US FROM THE DEPARTMENT IS LIEUTENANT JUDY ANDERSON AND
24 LIEUTENANT ANGELA SHEPHERD. CARLOS HAS BEEN A DISPATCHER SINCE
25 2010 AND CURRENTLY WORKS THE MORNING SHIFT AT THE

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1 COMMUNICATIONS CENTER LOCATED IN MONTERREY PARK. HE'S A
2 RESIDENT OF DOWNEY AND HIS BROTHER IS ALSO A POLICE OFFICER
3 WITH THE DOWNEY POLICE DEPARTMENT. I'M SURE HE'S JUST WAITING
4 TO COME TO THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, RIGHT?

5

6 **CARLOS HERNANDEZ:** YES, SIR.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE WANT TO GIVE YOU THIS PROCLAMATION
9 AND CONGRATULATE YOU FOR A JOB WELL DONE. [APPLAUSE.]

10

11 **CARLOS HERNANDEZ:** I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, AND BOARD
12 OF SUPERVISORS FOR HAVING ME TODAY. IT'S AN HONOR AND
13 PRIVILEGE TO BE INVITED HERE. I REPRESENT JUST ONE OF MANY OF
14 THE DISPATCHERS AT THE SHERIFF'S COMMUNICATION CENTER AND
15 DISPATCHERS IN OUR DIFFERENT STATIONS IN L.A. COUNTY WHO DO
16 OUR BEST TO SUPPORT OUR FIELD DEPUTIES ON A DAILY BASIS AND
17 PROVIDE SERVICE TO THE CITIZENS OF L.A. COUNTY. ON BEHALF OF
18 THE DISPATCHERS IN THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, WE
19 THANK YOU FOR THE RECOGNITION AND CONTINUED SUPPORT. AND THANK
20 YOU FOR HAVING US HERE TODAY. [APPLAUSE.]

21

22 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. I JUST WANTED TO THANK THE BOARD OF
23 SUPERVISORS TODAY FOR PAYING SPECIAL RECOGNITION TO THE L.A.
24 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR. OUR PUBLIC
25 RESPONSE DISPATCHERS ARE TASKED WITH MANY DIVERSE AND

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1 STRESSFUL SITUATIONS. OFTENTIMES THEY ARE THE SILENT HEROES
2 BEHIND THE SCENES. THEY HANDLE HUNDREDS OF RADIO TRANSMISSIONS
3 DAILY FROM THE ROUTINE CALL OF SERVICE TO THE OFFICER-INVOLVED
4 SHOOTING. AND I WANT TO THANK YOU AGAIN FOR GIVING THEM
5 RECOGNITION, FOR THE SUPPORT AND DEDICATION THEY DO ON A DAILY
6 BASIS, AND FOR HONORING CARLOS AS OUR DISPATCHER OF THE YEAR.
7 THANK YOU. [APPLAUSE.]

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE'RE GOING TO RECOGNIZE OUR
10 WONDERFUL DISTRICT ATTORNEY, JACKIE LACEY, AS THE BOARD
11 PROCLAIMS THE WEEK OF APRIL 19 THROUGH THE 25TH CRIMES VICTIMS
12 RIGHTS WEEKS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES. WITH OUR
13 DISTRICT ATTORNEY TO ACCEPT THE AWARDS PROCLAMATION TODAY IS
14 PAMELA BOOTH, ASSISTANT DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND DONNA WELLS
15 PROGRAM DIRECTOR FOR THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S VICTIM WITNESS
16 ASSISTANCE PROGRAM. TODAY THE BOARD WILL ALSO RECOGNIZE FOUR
17 OUTSTANDING ALLIES OF CRIME VICTIMS. THESE INDIVIDUALS AND
18 GROUPS ARE EXEMPLARY OF MANY WHO WORK ON BEHALF OF VICTIMS,
19 PROTECTING OUR COMMUNITIES, SEEKING JUSTICE AND HELPING
20 VICTIMS HEAL. LET ME ASK OUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY, JACKIE, TO SAY
21 A FEW WORDS AND THEN WE'RE GOING GIVE SOME PROCLAMATIONS.
22 [APPLAUSE.]

23

24 **JACKIE LACEY:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS, FOR
25 INVITING ME HERE TODAY. NEXT WEEK IS NATIONAL VICTIMS' RIGHTS

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1 WEEK. THE THEME IS "ENGAGING COMMUNITIES AND EMPOWERING
2 VICTIMS." THESE ARE COMPELLING CONCEPTS TO ACHIEVE. OUR
3 COMMUNITY MUST BE ACTIVELY INVOLVED IN COMBATING CRIME AND
4 FULLY COMMITTED TO PROTECTING OUR NEIGHBORS AND PREPARED TO
5 PROVIDE ESSENTIAL RESOURCES TO ASSIST CRIME VICTIMS. TODAY WE
6 FOCUS OUR EFFORTS AND THOSE OF OUR COMMUNITY PARTNERS TO
7 ASSIST AND EMPOWER CRIME VICTIMS. EACH YEAR, WE CELEBRATE
8 NATIONAL VICTIMS' RIGHTS WEEK BY PAYING TRIBUTE TO RESILIENCE
9 AND VALOR THAT IS SO APTLY EXHIBITED BY CRIME VICTIMS. WE ALSO
10 HONOR THOSE WHOSE WORK DILIGENTLY ON THEIR BEHALF BY ITS
11 PROCLAMATION THIS BOARD REAFFIRMS ITS COMMITMENT TO STAND WITH
12 CRIME VICTIMS. FOR MORE THAN 38 YEARS, MY OFFICE'S VICTIMS
13 WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM, ALSO KNOWN AS VWAP, HAS PROVIDED
14 ADVOCACY AND SUPPORT TO HELP VICTIMS BECOME SURVIVORS. VWAP
15 EMPLOYEES, PLEASE STAND AND BE RECOGNIZED IF YOU'RE IN THE
16 AUDIENCE? [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU. NOW, NATIONAL VICTIMS' RIGHTS
17 WEEK OFFERS AN EXCELLENT OPPORTUNITY FOR US TO RECOGNIZE AND
18 THANK OUR VALUED PARTNERS. WE HAVE RECOMMENDED THAT THE BOARD
19 OF SUPERVISORS COMMEND THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUALS AND SERVICE
20 PROVIDERS: FIRST, I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE CHILDREN'S
21 ADVOCACY CENTER. AND BEFORE I DO THAT, I WANT TO RECOGNIZE THE
22 WOMEN BEHIND ME. THERE IS DIRECTOR DONNA WILLS, WHO IS OVER
23 VWAP. DONNA, PLEASE RAISE YOUR HAND. [APPLAUSE.] AND A WOMAN
24 THAT HOLDS THE NO. 3 SPOT IN THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY'S OFFICE
25 WHO IS OVER VWAP, PAMELA BOOTH. [APPLAUSE.] SO AS I WAS

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1 SAYING, THE CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER, BOARD PRESIDENT MARIA
2 GRIGLIO, PLEASE STEP FORWARD. SINCE 2002, THE CENTER HAS
3 PROVIDED FORENSIC INTERVIEWS FOR CHILD VICTIMS OF ABUSE, SEX
4 CRIMES AND EMOTIONAL ABUSE CAUSED FROM WITNESSING DOMESTIC
5 VIOLENCE. THE INTERVIEWS ARE CONDUCTED IN A CHILD-FRIENDLY
6 ENVIRONMENT BY A MULTIDISCIPLINARY TEAM. THEIR GOAL IS TO
7 REDUCE VICTIM TRAUMA BY ELIMINATING THE NEED FOR REPETITIVE
8 INTERVIEWS. IN 2013, THE CENTER CONDUCTED MORE THAN 370
9 INTERVIEWS OF CHILD VICTIMS. ITS STAFF GATHERED CRITICAL
10 EVIDENCE FOR PROSECUTORS AND LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL. IT WAS
11 USED TO PROTECT CHILDREN FROM FURTHER ABUSE AND HOLD THEIR
12 ABUSERS ACCOUNTABLE. THANK YOU, MARIA, AND YOUR STAFF AT THE
13 CHILDREN'S ADVOCACY CENTER, FOR YOUR DEDICATION FOR HELPING
14 CHILD VICTIMS. PLEASE JOIN ME IN GIVING THEM A HAND.
15 [APPLAUSE.] NEXT I WOULD LIKE TO RECOGNIZE THE NETWORK AGAINST
16 HATE CRIMES. ROBIN TOMA, THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE
17 COUNTY'S HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION, CYNTHIA BANKS, THE
18 DIRECTOR OF COMMUNITY AND SENIOR SERVICES, PRESIDENT SUZANNE
19 CUMMINGS, COCHAIR BRIAN MARIGUCCI, AND MARQUEZ EQUILIBREA, AND
20 MARSHA WONG ARE ALL STANDING BEHIND ME AT THIS POINT. THE
21 NETWORK WAS ESTABLISHED BY THE HUMAN RELATIONS COMMISSION BACK
22 IN 1984. ITS MEMBERS REPRESENT LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES,
23 COMMUNITY AND GOVERNMENT ORGANIZATIONS, EDUCATORS, FAITH-BASED
24 COMMUNITIES, SOCIAL SERVICE PROVIDERS, AND A VARIETY OF ETHNIC
25 AND ADVOCACY GROUPS. THEY WORK TOGETHER TO IMPROVE TRAINING

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1 FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL AND STANDARDIZED REPORTING OF
2 HATE CRIMES. THE NETWORK FACILITATES INFORMATION SHARING AND
3 ACTS AS A CATALYST FOR TRACKING HATE CRIMES. IT ALSO RAISES
4 AWARENESS ABOUT HATE CRIMES AND ENCOURAGES VICTIMS TO REPORT
5 HATE CRIMES AND ACCESS SERVICES. THANK YOU, ROBIN AND CREW,
6 AND ALL THE PEOPLE WHO WORK WITH YOU TO SUPPORT THE NETWORK
7 AGAINST HATE CRIMES. [APPLAUSE.] NEXT I WANT TO RECOGNIZE
8 DEPUTY DISTRICT ATTORNEY SHARON RANSOM. SHARON, WOULD YOU COME
9 FORWARD? SHARON WORKS IN THE VAN NUYES OFFICE. [APPLAUSE] OF
10 OUR VICTIM IMPACT PROGRAM. MS. RANSOM IS EXTREMELY
11 COMPASSIONATE IN HER DEALINGS WITH VICTIMS OF SEXUAL ASSAULT,
12 DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AND CHILD ABUSE. SHE IS TENACIOUS IN HER
13 PURSUIT OF JUSTICE ON THEIR BEHALF. TODAY I WILL FOCUS ON JUST
14 TWO OF HER RECENT DOMESTIC VIOLENCE MURDER CASES. IN THE FIRST
15 ONE, A MAN KILLED HIS GIRLFRIEND IN THEIR APARTMENT. HER BODY
16 WAS DISCOVERED A WEEK LATER. MS. RANSOM'S EXCEPTIONAL TRIAL
17 SKILLS AND THE USE OF PRIOR INCIDENTS OF DOMESTIC VIOLENCE
18 SECURED A MURDER CONVICTION IN THIS TOUGH CASE. IN A SECOND
19 CASE, ANOTHER MAN LURED HIS GIRLFRIEND TO A PARK AND KILLED
20 HER. MISS RANSOM SECURED ANOTHER HARD-FOUGHT CIRCUMSTANTIAL
21 MURDER EVIDENCE CONVICTION. SHE DID SO BY EXPERTLY PRESENTING
22 BLOOD SPLATTER AND D.N.A. FORENSIC EVIDENCE TO THE JURY. IN
23 ADDITION TO TRYING CASES, MS. RANSOM ALSO TRAINS LAW
24 ENFORCEMENT PERSONNEL AND COMMUNITY ADVOCATES ON INVESTIGATING
25 AND PROSECUTING CASES. I REMEMBER WHEN SHARON WAS HIRED. I

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1 BELIEVE SHE HAD A PRIOR LAW ENFORCEMENT CAREER THAT WAS
2 SUCCESSFUL. AND I'M REALLY THRILLED THAT SHE'S WITH OUR
3 OFFICE. THANK YOU, SHARON, FOR YOUR HARD WORK. [APPLAUSE.]
4 FINALLY, I WANT TO RECOGNIZE MY OFFICE'S RESTITUTION
5 ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM. IT IS LED BY DEPUTY IN CHARGE LYDIA
6 BODDEN AND SUPERVISING PARALEGAL TRACEY ANDERSON. LYDIA AND
7 TRACEY, PLEASE STEP FORWARD. AND WHILE THEY'RE DOING SO, WOULD
8 THE STAFF OF THE RESTITUTION ENHANCEMENT PROGRAM PLEASE STAND
9 UP. I KNOW YOU'RE IN THE AUDIENCE HERE AND I WANT TO RECOGNIZE
10 YOU. [APPLAUSE.] SO, THIS RATHER QUIET AND LITTLE KNOWN UNIT
11 OF THE D.A.'S OFFICE ACTUALLY IS HUGE BECAUSE THEY ASSIST
12 VICTIMS WITH THEIR CONSTITUTIONAL RIGHTS TO RESTITUTION.
13 PARALEGALS WORK CLOSELY WITH PROSECUTORS TO OBTAIN COURT
14 ORDERS DIRECTING CONVICTED DEFENDANTS TO PAY THEIR VICTIMS FOR
15 CRIME-RELATED FINANCIAL LOSSES. THE PROGRAM ALSO SEEKS COURT
16 ORDERS DIRECTING CONVICTED DEFENDANTS TO REIMBURSE THE STATE
17 VICTIMS COMPENSATION FUND FOR PAYMENTS MADE TO THEIR VICTIMS.
18 BETWEEN 2008 AND 2014, THEY COLLECTED AND OBTAINED ORDERS
19 TOTALING MORE THAN \$160 MILLION. [APPLAUSE.] IN ADDITION, MS.
20 BODEN PROPOSED LEGISLATION TO PROVIDE FOR RESTITUTION
21 COLLECTION AT THE LOCAL LEVEL WHICH WAS MISSING AFTER A.B.109
22 WAS PASSED. THE NEW LAW ALLOWS THE GARNISHMENT OF INMATES'
23 PERSONAL JAIL ACCOUNTS TO FUND VICTIM RESTITUTION ORDERS. MS.
24 BODEN ALSO LEADS AN INTERAGENCY GROUP TASKED WITH MAKING
25 RECOMMENDATIONS TO IMPLEMENT THE LAW IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY.

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1 CONGRATULATIONS TO YOU ALL. [APPLAUSE.] CONGRATULATIONS TO
2 THIS YEAR'S HONOREES, AND THANK YOU, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD OF
3 SUPERVISORS, FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT. THANK YOU.
4 [APPLAUSE.]

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NOW WE HAVE MINI -- IT'S NOT REALLY A
7 MINI -- POODLE MIX. THREE-YEAR-OLD LOOKING FOR A HOME. THIS IS
8 SNOWBALL. HOW ABOUT SNOWSTORM? PUT YOUR LEGS DOWN. ANYWAY,
9 LITTLE SNOWBALL IS LOOKING FOR A HOME. 562-728-4610 AND LITTLE
10 SNOWBALL WILL BRING A LOT OF JOY. SEE THEM OUT THERE,
11 SNOWBALL? SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. SUPERVISOR HILDA
12 SOLIS?

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, I'LL TRY TO BE BRIEF. BUT I
15 HAVE A SPECIAL PRESENTATION FOR THE BOARD MEMBERS HERE AND THE
16 PUBLIC. AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO INVITE UP TO THE DAIS HERE
17 THE CITIES OF SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WHO ARE HOSTING THE
18 INTERNATIONAL TEAMS FROM THE 2015 SPECIAL OLYMPICS WORLD GAMES
19 THIS SUMMER. IF YOU DIDN'T KNOW BY NOW, THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS
20 WORLD GAMES ARE COMING TO LOS ANGELES THIS SUMMER. AND AS MANY
21 AS 100 HOST TOWNS FROM SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA WILL PLAY A VITAL
22 PART IN WELCOMING DELEGATIONS FROM OVER 177 COUNTRIES FROM
23 AROUND THE WORLD. 7,000 OLYMPIC ATHLETES WILL COMPETE AT THE
24 WORLD GAMES. BUT BEFORE THEIR COMPETITIONS BEGIN, THEY WILL
25 PARTICIPATE IN A VERY SPECIAL THREE-DAY PROGRAM THAT TAKES

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1 PLACE PRIOR TO THE OPENING CEREMONY ON JULY 25TH AT THE LOS
2 ANGELES COLISEUM. THEY WILL BE TREATED TO THREE MEMORABLE DAYS
3 OF RECREATION, ENTERTAINMENT AND CULTURAL EXCHANGE AT THEIR
4 HOST TOWNS WHERE THEY WILL GET TO KNOW COMMUNITY MEMBERS, TAKE
5 PART IN CULTURAL ACTIVITIES IN EACH AREA AND BE PROVIDED
6 TRAINING FACILITIES, MEALS AND LODGING. THE SPECIAL OLYMPIC
7 ATHLETES WILL BE TRULY CELEBRATED BY THEIR HOST CITIES. FIRST
8 I'D LIKE TO CALL FORWARD THE CITY OF MONTERREY PARK WHO WILL
9 BE HOSTING THE DELEGATION FROM GERMANY. HERE TO ACCEPT THE
10 AWARD IS MY FRIEND AND OUR MAYOR, HANS LEON. AND I AM VERY
11 APPRECIATIVE OF THE WORK OF MONTERREY PARK HAS ALWAYS BEEN A
12 FRIENDLY CITY TO EVERYONE. SO WE HONOR YOU AND PAY SPECIAL
13 RECOGNITION FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF THIS PARTICULAR EFFORT. THANK
14 YOU SO MUCH, MAYOR. NEXT I'D LIKE TO ASK UP A REPRESENTATIVE
15 FROM THE CITY OF POMONA WHO WILL BE HOSTING THE DELEGATION
16 FROM THE ISLE OF MAN IN LIBYA. HERE TO ACCEPT THE PROCLAMATION
17 IS CITY COMMITTEE COORDINATOR CECELIA MUNOZ. CITY OF POMONA.
18 THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR YOUR SUPPORT. AND LASTLY I'D LIKE TO
19 ALSO RECOGNIZE MAYOR FRED SIKES, WHO IS REPRESENTING THE GREAT
20 CITY OF WEST COVINA, WHO WILL BE HOSTING THE DELEGATION FROM
21 OUR FRIENDLY COUNTRY, JAPAN. SO, THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MAYOR,
22 FOR BEING A PART OF THIS EFFORT. LAST BUT NOT LEAST WE ALSO
23 HAVE THE CITY OF AZUSA. EVERYTHING FROM A THROUGH Z WILL BE
24 HOSTING THE DELEGATION FROM SOUTH AFRICA. AND HERE WITH ME IS

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1 MARTIN CUROS, PUBLIC INFORMATION OFFICER. THANK YOU SO MUCH
2 FOR BEING HERE.

3

4 **SUP. KNABE:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS? SUPERVISOR? COULD I JUST ADD
5 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS AND I ARE BOTH ON THE OVERALL HOST
6 COMMITTEE FOR THE SPECIAL OLYMPICS COMING THIS JULY. AND ONE
7 OF THE THINGS THAT WAS SO IMPORTANT IN OUR OVERALL BID TO MAKE
8 IT HAPPEN WAS TO BE ABLE TO HAVE THE COMMUNITIES WITHIN LOS
9 ANGELES COUNTY, THE CITIES, BECOME HOST CITIES. AND IT'S
10 REALLY AN HONOR. AND I THANK ALL OF YOU FOR STEPPING UP TO THE
11 PLATE BECAUSE IT'S SUCH A SPECIAL MOMENT IN TIME WITH SPECIAL
12 ATHLETES AND VICTORIES LIKE YOU'VE NEVER SEEN BEFORE. AND ALSO
13 THAT EARLY SHOUT OUT TO MAKE SURE THAT WE STOP BY AND BECOME
14 THOSE CHAMPIONS IN THE STANDS. SO THANK YOU FOR RECOGNIZING.
15 THANK YOU TO THE CITIES. AND THANK YOU TO ALL THE CITIES OUT
16 THERE THAT ARE HOST CITIES. [APPLAUSE.]

17

18 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. I ALSO WANT TO JUST
19 LASTLY INDUCE LAURA LEVENTHAL WHO IS REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE
20 SPECIAL OLYMPICS WORLD GAMES AND SHE'S HERE TO ALSO CELEBRATE
21 THE OCCASION. I JUST WANT HER TO SAY A FEW WORDS VERY QUICKLY.
22 THANK YOU.

23

24 **LAURA LEVENTHAL:** THANK YOU SO MUCH FOR HAVING ME HERE. IT'S A
25 DISTINCT PLEASURE TO BE THE REPRESENTATIVE FOR THE WORLD GAMES

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1 TODAY. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PHENOMENAL HOST CITIES THAT HAVE
2 STEPPED UP. AND WITHOUT THEIR SUPPORT, THE WORLD GAMES TRULY
3 COULDN'T DO WHAT THEY ARE TRYING TO DO HERE. SO THANK YOU TO
4 BOTH OF THE SUPERVISORS FOR THIS RECOGNITION. THIS IS A
5 WONDERFUL OPPORTUNITY. AND THANK YOU TO ALL THE CITIES HERE
6 TODAY. [APPLAUSE.]

7

8 **SUP. SOLIS:** MR. MAYOR, I HAVE ONE MORE PRESENTATION. WE ARE SO
9 LUCKY IN THE FIRST DISTRICT TO BE ABLE TO CELEBRATE OUR
10 ACADEMIC DECATHLON TEAMS THAT ACHIEVED TREMENDOUS SUCCESS THIS
11 YEAR REPRESENTING L.A. COUNTY, L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT
12 AND CAL STATE ACADEMIC DECATHLON COMPETITIONS THAT WERE HELD
13 THIS PAST SPRING. I'M THRILLED TO SEE THAT SO MANY OF OUR
14 SCHOOL ADMINISTRATORS, PRINCIPALS, COACHES, PARENTS, SCHOOL
15 BOARD MEMBERS AND COMMUNITY MEMBERS IN THE AUDIENCE TO SHOW
16 THEIR SUPPORT FOR THESE TEAMS' TREMENDOUS SUCCESSES IN 2015. I
17 AM SO HONORED TO BE ABLE TO INVITE HERE TO JOIN ME TODAY EL
18 RANCHO HIGH SCHOOL'S ACADEMIC DECATHLON TEAM, WHO IS STANDING
19 HERE NEXT TO ME. EL RANCHO PLACED 12TH IN THE L.A. COUNTY
20 ACADEMIC DECATHLON THIS YEAR. EL RANCHO, AS YOU MAY KNOW, IS A
21 TITLE 1 SCHOOL. THE STUDENT BODY IS APPROXIMATELY 97 PERCENT
22 LATINO. THE VAST MAJORITY OF STUDENTS ARE ON SUBSIDIZED LUNCH.
23 BUT DESPITE THOSE SOCIOECONOMIC CHALLENGES THAT MANY EL RANCHO
24 STUDENTS FACE, THE SCHOOL EXCEEDS THE NATIONAL AVERAGE IN MANY
25 SUBJECT AREAS, INCLUDING LANGUAGES, SCIENCES AND MATH.

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1 CONGRATULATIONS, EL RANCHO. 80 PERCENT OF THE STUDENT BODY
2 THERE PLANS ON ATTENDING COLLEGE. ONE OF THE SECRETS OF THE
3 DECATHLON'S TEAM SUCCESS IS THAT THEY VIEW THEMSELVES AS
4 FAMILY AND NOT JUST A TEAM. WE ALSO WANT TO THANK THE EL
5 RANCHO PARENTS AND COMMUNITY AND FAMILIES WHO INVESTED IN THE
6 TEAMS' WELL-BEING AND SUCCESS. THE TEAM'S HEAD COACH AS WELL
7 AS HIS ASSISTANT COACHES HELPED THE STUDENTS IN SPECIFIC STUDY
8 AREAS ALL LENDING THEIR TALENTS AND TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF TIME
9 AND SUPPORT TO HELP INSURE THE STUDENTS' HIGH ACHIEVEMENT IN
10 COMPETITION AND IN LIFE. WE ARE SO PROUD TODAY TO PRESENT WITH
11 YOU LOS ANGELES COUNTY SCROLL TO THE DREAM TEAM EL RANCHO HIGH
12 SCHOOL ACADEMIC DECATHALON PLACING 12TH, LOS ANGELES COUNTY
13 ACADEMIC DECATHLON. ON BEHALF OF ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS THANK
14 YOU SO MUCH. CONGRATULATIONS. [APPLAUSE.] THANK YOU. NEXT I'D
15 LIKE TO PRESENT TO ANOTHER OUTSTANDING SCHOOL IN OUR DISTRICT,
16 I'D LIKE TO ASK OUR REPRESENTATIVES FROM EDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL
17 FROM WEST COVINA, SAN GABRIEL VALLEY. EDGEWOOD WON FIRST PLACE
18 IN THE CALIFORNIA ACADEMIC DECATHLON FROM A MEDIUM SIZE SCHOOL
19 CATEGORY. YEA, THEY DESERVE A ROUND OF APPLAUSE. [APPLAUSE.]
20 THE KEY TO SUCCESS FOR THE TEAM HAS ALWAYS BEEN HARD WORK,
21 LONG HOURS OF STUDY IN PREPARATION AND HAVING AMAZING COACHES
22 THAT HAVE HELPED THE STUDENTS IN SO MANY SPECIFIC SUBJECT
23 AREAS. NEXT STEPS FOR EDGEWOOD DECATHLON TEAM WILL BE TO
24 PARTICIPATE IN AN ONLINE NATIONAL DECATHLON EVENT JUST A FEW
25 DAYS FROM NOW ON APRIL 17TH. SO WE WISH YOU ALL THE BEST OF

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1 LUCK. I'M SO PROUD TO BE ABLE TO PRESENT THIS ALSO COUNTY
2 SCROLL ON BEHALF OF ALL THE BOARD MEMBERS TO THE OUTSTANDING
3 EDGEWOOD HIGH SCHOOL. GO TEAM GO! FOR MEDIUM-SIZED SCHOOL
4 STATE CHAMPION, CALIFORNIA ACADEMIC DECATHLON ON THIS DAY.
5 CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU AND YOUR COACHES. [APPLAUSE.] AT
6 THIS TIME I'D ALSO LIKE TO RECOGNIZE ANOTHER OUTSTANDING HIGH
7 SCHOOL FROM THE L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SCHOOL DISTRICT.
8 NONE OTHER THAN FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL. FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL IS
9 AN L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT SITE, ACHIEVED FIFTH PLACE IN
10 THE CALIFORNIA STATE ACADEMIC DECATHLON. FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL
11 IS ABOUT 93 PERCENT LATINO AND MORE THAN 85 PERCENT ARE TITLE
12 1 ELIGIBLE STUDENTS. MANY SPEAK OTHER LANGUAGES OTHER THAN
13 ENGLISH AT HOME. LIKE MANY OTHER HIGH ACHIEVING SCHOOLS,
14 FRANKLIN DECATHLON STUDENTS STUDY MORE THAN FOUR HOURS DURING
15 THE WEEK AFTER A FULL SCHOOL DAY PLUS EIGHT HOURS OR MORE ON
16 SATURDAYS. WOW. IN ADDITION TO HARD WORK, THEIR SECRET TO
17 SUCCESS IS PLACING AN EMPHASIS ON BEING SUPPORTIVE OF EACH
18 TEAMMATE. THE COACHING TEAM INSTILLS ITS VALUE TO DEVELOP A
19 WINNING DECATHLON TEAM. THE TEAM'S PHILOSOPHY IS: THE JOURNEY
20 IS THE PRIZE. I'M SO PROUD TODAY TO PRESENT YOU WITH THIS
21 SCROLL ON BEHALF OF THE L.A. COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO
22 FRANKLIN HIGH SCHOOL, FIFTH PLACE CALIFORNIA ACADEMIC
23 DECATHLON. [APPLAUSE.] AT THIS TIME I'D LIKE TO BRING UP
24 ANOTHER OUTSTANDING HIGH SCHOOL THAT'S BEEN RECOGNIZED IN PAST
25 YEARS FOR DOING SO MANY THINGS. AND I REMEMBER THE STORY ABOUT

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1 THE S.A.T. AND JAIME ESCALANTE ADVANCED PLACEMENT STUDENT. BUT
2 HERE TODAY WE'RE RECOGNIZING GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL FOR THEIR
3 DECATHLON TEAM. THEY ARE PART OF L.A. UNIFIED SCHOOL DISTRICT,
4 AND THEY WON 7TH PLACE IN THIS YEAR'S CALIFORNIA STATE
5 ACADEMIC DECATHLON. THE DECATHLON TEAM HAS SIX COACHES,
6 SIMILAR TO OTHER TEAMS. THE COACHES ARE ALL VOLUNTEERS, ARE
7 EXTREMELY DEDICATED TO SUPPORTING THE SUCCESS AND WELL-BEING
8 OF THEIR STUDENTS. THEIR SUCCESS LIES IN HARD WORK, NEVER
9 GIVING UP, AND ALWAYS HAVING THAT CAN-DO SPIRIT. AND I THINK
10 IN SPANISH, I THINK JAIME ESCALANTE ACTUALLY QUOTED THIS,
11 "GANAS," MEANING THEY HAVE THE WILL POWER TO SUCCEED. SO CON
12 MUCHOS GANAS, CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF YOU. THE GARFIELD
13 ACADEMIC TEAM ALSO HAS A FEW OF THEIR MEMBERS PROCEEDING TO
14 THE NATIONAL ACADEMIC DECATHLON COMPETITION. SO WE'RE VERY
15 PROUD TO HAVE YOU HERE THIS AFTERNOON AND ALSO WANT TO PRESENT
16 YOU WITH A SCROLL FROM THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES TO OUR VERY
17 GOOD FRIENDS AT GARFIELD HIGH SCHOOL AND YOUR COACHES AND YOUR
18 PARENTS. THANK YOU AND MUCH SUCCESS. [APPLAUSE.]

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

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22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR AND
23 COLLEAGUES. I'M DELIGHTED TO HAVE JOIN US TODAY TWO
24 INDIVIDUALS WHO REPRESENT A TRADITION WITH WHICH ALL OF US ARE
25 PLEASED TO ASSOCIATE. WE BEGIN BY ACKNOWLEDGING THAT IT IS A

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1 SPECIAL DAY IN THE COUNTRY OF LOS ANGELES A SPECIAL MONTH AS
2 IT MARKS THE ANNIVERSARY OF THE ENACTMENT OF THE FAIR HOUSING
3 ACT, A PRODUCT THAT WAS BORN FROM THE VOICES OF MANY WHO LED
4 THE FIGHT FOR HOUSING DURING THE CIVIL RIGHTS MOVEMENT CALLING
5 FOR EQUALITY. AND MAKE NO MISTAKE ABOUT IT, PASSING THE FAIR
6 HOUSING ACT WAS NOT EASY. SEVERAL ATTEMPTS WERE MADE TO
7 INCORPORATE IT IN THE CIVIL RIGHTS ACT OF 1964. BUT THOSE
8 EFFORTS WERE UNSUCCESSFUL. IT WASN'T UNTIL 1968 WHEN IT WAS
9 ULTIMATELY ACCOMPLISHED. AND SO TODAY WE CELEBRATE THE 47TH
10 ANNIVERSARY. AND WE ALSO ACKNOWLEDGE THE PROGRESS THAT HAS
11 BEEN MADE IN PROVIDING EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITIES AS A RESULT
12 OF THOSE EFFORTS. THE FAIR HOUSING ACT IS ABOUT MUCH MORE THAN
13 RENTING, WHICH IS FUNDAMENTALLY IMPORTANT TO STABILIZING THE
14 QUALITY OF LIFE OF INDIVIDUALS, BUT THIS LAW LAID THE
15 FOUNDATION FOR HOME OWNERSHIP, AS WELL. AND IT DID SO FOR MANY
16 OF THOSE WHO HAD BEEN DISCRIMINATED AGAINST AND DISADVANTAGED
17 IN A WIDE VARIETY OF WAYS. MANY SAY THAT EDUCATION IS THE
18 GREAT EQUALIZER. BUT AS TIME MOVES FORWARD, IT HAS BECOME MORE
19 APPARENT THAT HOME OWNERSHIP IS A CRITICAL VEHICLE IN BUILDING
20 WEALTH AND TRANSFERRING WEALTH FROM ONE GENERATION TO THE
21 NEXT, ESPECIALLY FOR WORKING CLASS FAMILIES. HISTORICALLY,
22 MINORITY GROUPS, PEOPLE OF COLOR HAVE BEEN EXCLUDED FROM THE
23 FULL BENEFITS OF THE HOUSING MARKET. ALL THE WAY FROM LEGAL
24 DENIAL OF HOME OWNERSHIP TO STRAIGHT OUT EFFORTS AT RED
25 LINING. THAT IS WHY THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, ALONG

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1 WITH THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND THE HOUSING
2 RIGHTS CENTER AFFIRMATIVELY FURTHER ADVOCATES FOR FAIR HOUSING
3 THROUGH A VARIETY OF PROGRAMS AND SERVICES ALL YEAR ROUND.
4 BECAUSE OF A PERSISTENT PROBLEM REQUIRING A PERSISTENT
5 SOLUTION, WE MUST CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE FOR FAIR HOUSING. AND,
6 LADIES AND GENTLEMEN, THESE SERVICES INCLUDE EDUCATION
7 PROGRAMS ON FAIR HOUSING LAWS FOR HOME SEEKERS AND HOUSING
8 INDUSTRY PROFESSIONALS CAN BENEFIT FROM IT, ASSISTANCE TO
9 VICTIMS OF THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN DISCRIMINATED AGAINST. THESE
10 ENTITIES STILL DO ALL THAT AND MORE. AND MIGHT I SAY THE LAST
11 YEAR ALONE THESE COMBINED EFFORTS HAVE RESULTED IN ASSISTANCE
12 TO THE COMMUNITY THROUGH MORE THAN 3,000 DIRECT CLIENT
13 CONTACTS, NUMEROUS TRAININGS, WORKSHOPS AND PUBLIC SERVICE
14 ANNOUNCEMENTS. AND SO ON APRIL THE 16TH, THE HOUSING RIGHTS
15 CENTER WILL HOLD THE 16TH ANNUAL RIGHTS SUMMIT WITH A THEME OF
16 "RACE, PLACE AND POVERTY." I WANT TO SAY THAT AGAIN. "RACE,
17 PLACE AND POVERTY." THE CONFERENCE WILL INCLUDE EDUCATIONAL
18 PANELS ON THE CUTTING EDGE TOPICS THAT WILL INFLUENCE AND
19 SHAPE THE FUTURE OF FAIR HOUSING. AND SO WE INVITE ALL OF YOU
20 TO VISIT THE HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER'S WEBSITE WWW.HR-LA.ORG TO
21 LEARN MORE ABOUT FAIR HOUSING SERVICES AND THE UPCOMING
22 EVENTS. WE WANT TO SAY AGAIN THANK YOU TO THE HOUSING RIGHTS
23 CENTER FOR DELIVERING THESE MUCH NEEDED SERVICES. ITS
24 EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR IS WITH US TODAY. AND SO WE GIVE A SHOUT-
25 OUT TO THE WHOLE ORGANIZATION, THE STAFF, THE BOARD AND ALL

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1 THOSE WHO VOLUNTEER TO MAKE ALL OF THE GOOD WORK HAPPEN. AND
2 SO WE'RE GOING TO INVITE ANCELLA AMONSOR TO HAVE A FEW WORDS
3 AND WE ACKNOWLEDGE SEAN ROGAN FROM OUR OWN COMMISSION WHO
4 WORKS VERY HARD ON THIS ISSUE.

5

6 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. THE HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER WOULD LIKE TO
7 THANK THE L.A. BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IN PARTICULAR HONORABLE
8 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR THEIR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF
9 FAIR HOUSING. HOUSING DISCRIMINATION IS STILL AN ISSUE JUST AS
10 MUCH AS IT WAS AN ISSUE IN 1968 WHEN REVEREND DR. MARTIN
11 LUTHER KING WAS ASSASSINATED AND LYNDON B. JOHNSON CONVINCED A
12 VERY DIVIDED CONGRESS AT THAT TIME TO COME TOGETHER AND
13 UNANIMOUSLY SIGN THIS BILL INTO LEGISLATION WITHIN A WEEK OF
14 DR. KING'S ASSASSINATION. AS YOU KNOW, DISCRIMINATION IS STILL
15 AN ISSUE. IN CALIFORNIA, WE ENJOY THE FACT THAT WE HAVE MANY
16 PROTECTED CATEGORIES IN CALIFORNIA. NOT ONLY IS RACE, NATIONAL
17 ORIGIN, DISABILITY AND RELIGION ALSO PROTECTED, WE ALSO HAVE
18 FAMILIAL STATUS. YOU CAN'T DISCRIMINATE AGAINST SOMEBODY BASED
19 UPON THEIR SOURCE OF INCOME OR THEIR SEXUAL ORIENTATION OR
20 THEIR GENDER IDENTITY AND GENDER EXPRESSION. SO WHILE WE ARE
21 VERY PRIVILEGED TO LIVE IN THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA THAT
22 RECOGNIZES THE RIGHTS OF MANY DIVERSE GROUPS OF PEOPLE, WE
23 ALSO SEE THAT THERE IS LOTS OF WORK THAT WE NEED TO DO TO MAKE
24 SURE THAT THE RIGHTS OF EVERYONE IS ENFORCED AND THAT
25 EVERYBODY HAS THE EQUAL OPPORTUNITY TO THE HOUSING THAT THEY

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1 DESIRE TO LIVE IN. SO THANK YOU ONCE AGAIN, THE HOUSING RIGHTS
2 CENTER AND THANKS THE COUNTY VERY MUCH FOR ITS WORK.

3

4 **SEAN ROGAN:** VERY BRIEFLY, HOUSING RIGHTS CENTER PLAYS A VERY
5 IMPORTANT ROLE IN L.A. COUNTY. YOU KNOW, I'M HAPPY
6 REPRESENTING THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMISSION AND THE
7 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS TO HAVE A LONG-STANDING
8 RELATIONSHIP WITH CHANCELLOR. SHE AND HER ORGANIZATION DO
9 REALLY GREAT WORK IN SETTTLING DISPUTES BETWEEN LANDLORDS AND
10 TENANTS AS WELL AS PROVIDING A SOUNDING BOARD TO DISCUSS
11 HOUSING RIGHTS. AND AS MENTIONED, HOUSING RIGHTS CONTINUE TO
12 BE A CHALLENGE HERE IN L.A. COUNTY, ESPECIALLY WHEN YOU LOOK
13 AT VACANCY RATES GOING DOWN, RENTS GOING UP, AND THE CONTINUED
14 NEED FOR DECENT, SAFE AND SANITARY HOUSING. SO THANK YOU,
15 CHANCELLOR. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR. [APPLAUSE.]

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ROBERT ROSS 53-C, ITEM 11, SUSAN
18 ABRAMS, DANIELLE VAPPIE. MR. LUCAS, 20, 53-A, 53-C. MR.
19 PREVEN, 1, 6, 7, 16, 17, 23, 26, 27, 28, 34, 39, 44, 45, 53-B.
20 THAT WILL BE FOLLOWED, THEN, BY ARNOLD SACHS FOR 11, 16, 17,
21 45, 53-C. YES, SIR. [INAUDIBLE]

22

23 **BOB ROSS:** IT'S ON?

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** START OVER AGAIN.

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2 **BOB ROSS:** DR. BOB ROSS, CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT. THANK YOU FOR
3 HAVING ME THIS MORNING AND TAKING THIS ITEM A LITTLE BIT OUT
4 OF ORDER. I APPRECIATE IT. I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF
5 ITEM 53-C, WHICH IS CO-DRIVEN BY SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS AND
6 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. THIS IS IN RELATION TO THE
7 ISSUE OF PRESIDENT OBAMA'S WHITE HOUSE-LED "MY BROTHER'S
8 KEEPER" INITIATIVE TO TRY TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING
9 AND OPPORTUNITY OUTCOMES OF YOUNG MEN OF COLOR AROUND THE
10 COUNTRY AND TRY AND DISRUPT THE VORACIOUS CRADLE-TO-PRISON
11 PIPELINE THAT ENGULF SO MANY AFRICAN-AMERICAN AND LATINO YOUNG
12 MEN IN PARTICULAR AROUND THE COUNTRY. LOOKING FOR LOCAL
13 COMMUNITIES AND JURISDICTIONS TO ASSERT THEMSELVES IN
14 PARTNERSHIP WITH THE WHITE HOUSE, WE ARE FULLY IN SUPPORT OF
15 THIS MOTION. THE CALIFORNIA ENDOWMENT, OUR BOARD OF DIRECTORS
16 HAS COMMITTED A \$50 MILLION, SEVEN-YEAR PLEDGE TO SUPPORT THIS
17 KIND OF WORK THROUGHOUT THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA AND IN LOS
18 ANGELES AND SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA. WE ARE HERE TO BE THE FIRST
19 ONES TO OFFER OUR HAND IN PARTNERSHIP ON THIS EFFORT,
20 PUBLIC/PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP, WORKING WITH SCHOOLS, WORKING WITH
21 LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS AND AGENCIES, WORKING WITH
22 COMMUNITY-BASED AND GRASSROOTS ORGANIZATIONS, FAITH LEADERS,
23 TO MAKE SURE THAT YOUNG PEOPLE REALLY AT THE CUTTING EDGE OF
24 RISK IN OUR COMMUNITY AND OUR SOCIETY REALLY DO HAVE A
25 MEANINGFUL OPPORTUNITY. SO WE JUST WANTED TO OFFER OUR HAND IN

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1 PARTNERSHIP. CONGRATULATE THE LEADERSHIP OF SUPERVISOR SOLIS
2 AND RIDLEY-THOMAS IN THIS MOTION. AND WE STAND IN FULL SUPPORT
3 READY TO BE A PARTNER WITH YOU AS YOU MOVE AHEAD. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. YES, MA'AM.

6

7 **SUSAN ABRAMS:** GOOD MORNING, MR. CHAIR AND HONORABLE MEMBERS.
8 I'M HERE TO SPEAK IN SUPPORT OF ITEM NO. 11. MY NAME IS SUSAN
9 ABRAMS AND I'M THE POLICY DIRECTOR AT CHILDREN'S LAW CENTER OF
10 CALIFORNIA. WE CURRENTLY REPRESENT OVER 32,000 CHILDREN IN
11 FOSTER CARE IN LOS ANGELES AND SACRAMENTO COUNTIES. I WANT TO
12 START BY THANKING SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS FOR BRINGING FORTH
13 THIS IMPORTANT MOTION. HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY, OUR
14 ATTORNEYS ARE CURRENTLY REPRESENTING ON AVERAGE OVER 300 CHILD
15 CLIENTS. THIS IS JUST A TRAVESTY OF JUSTICE. AND A RE-
16 ALLOCATION OF THE CURRENT FUNDS BY JUDICIAL COUNCIL AND OR AN
17 INCREASE IN THE STATE FUNDS EAR-MARKED FOR COURT-APPOINTED
18 DEPENDENCY COUNSEL WOULD BRING DESPERATELY NEEDED FUNDS TO LOS
19 ANGELES TO REDUCE THESE OUTRAGEOUS CASELOADS. WE THANK THE
20 COUNTY FOR ITS SUPPORT LAST YEAR IN HELPING US PUSH THE BUDGET
21 ITEM. WE CAME VERY CLOSE TO PASSING IT. AND WE LOOK FORWARD TO
22 PARTNERING WITH THE COUNTY AGAIN THIS YEAR TO MOVE THIS BUDGET
23 ITEM FORWARD. FINALLY, ALTHOUGH THEY COULD NOT BE HERE TODAY,
24 I DID SHARE WITH THE BOARD SOME REMARKS FROM TWO FORMER FOSTER
25 YOUTH ABOUT THE IMPORTANCE OF THEIR COUNSEL. AND I HAVE EXTRA

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1 COPIES TODAY. WE REALLY THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION OF
2 THIS IMPORTANT MOTION.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

5

6 **DANIELLE VAPPIE:** GOOD MORNING, HONORABLE MEMBERS. MY NAME IS
7 DANIELLE BUTLER VAPPIE AND I'M ONE OF THE LAW FIRM DIRECTORS
8 OF LOS ANGELES DEPENDENCY LAWYERS. WE ARE AN ORGANIZATION, A
9 NONPROFIT, THAT REPRESENTS OVER 22,000 PARENTS IN THE COUNTY
10 OF LOS ANGELES. WE ARE A DIVERSE GROUP OF STAFF ATTORNEYS. AND
11 WE ARE A REFLECTION OF THE COMMUNITY THAT WE SERVE. WE HAVE
12 OVER 44 PERCENT MINORITY STAFF MEMBERS, 21 PERCENT WHICH ARE
13 AFRICAN-AMERICAN, 11 PERCENT HISPANIC, AND 12 PERCENT OF ASIAN
14 ORIGIN. THIS IS AN IMPORTANT FACTOR BECAUSE OUR DIVERSITY IS
15 JUST AS IMPORTANT AS THE CONSISTENCY OF REPRESENTATION FOR THE
16 PARENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. THE 33 MILLION INCREASE IN
17 ALLOCATION WOULD ALLOW NOT ONLY OUR ORGANIZATION BUT ALL
18 DEPENDENCY COUNSEL TO INCREASE SALARIES SO THAT PUBLIC
19 INTERESTS CAN BECOME COMPETITIVE WITH COUNTY COUNSEL, THE
20 DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND THE PUBLIC DEFENDER'S OFFICE AS MANY OF
21 OUR EXPERIENCED STAFF ATTORNEYS DEPART FOR THESE
22 ORGANIZATIONS. THE MOTION INCLUDES A STUDY FROM A 2008 IN
23 WHICH THE RECOMMENDATION FOR REPRESENTATION WAS 188 CLIENTS
24 PER ATTORNEY. CURRENTLY OUR STAFF REPRESENTS OVER 250 PARENTS
25 PER ATTORNEY. AS PARENTS' COUNSEL, WE WORK TO SUPPORT THE

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1 STATED GOAL OF DEPENDENCY WHICH IS REUNIFICATION OF FAMILIES.
2 PARENTS' ATTORNEYS ASSIST WITH THE EFFICIENCY AND EFFECTIVE
3 RUNNING OF THE COURT SYSTEM BY DEFENDING AND ADVOCATING FOR
4 PARENTS AND ENSURING COMPLIANCE SO THAT CHILDREN ARE RETURNED
5 TO SAFE AND HEALTHY HOMES. WE FULLY SUPPORT THE MOTION BY
6 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS, AND WE ARE ASKING THAT THE LETTERS
7 BE SENT TO THE ASSEMBLY, SENATE AND GOVERNOR'S OFFICE URGING
8 THEM TO PROVIDE THE \$33 MILLION INCREASE INTO THE JUDICIAL
9 COUNSEL TO ADOPT AND IMPLEMENT THE RECOMMENDATION OF THE FOUR-
10 YEAR PLAN FOR RE-ALLOCATION; HOWEVER, LADO WOULD RESPECTFULLY
11 REQUEST THAT THE LETTER INCLUDES ALL DEPENDENCY ADVOCATES:
12 PARENTS AND CHILDREN, SO THAT ALL OF THE VULNERABLE MEMBERS
13 AND FAMILIES THAT COME BEFORE DEPENDENCY COURT RECEIVE THE
14 REPRESENTATION THAT THEY DESERVE. THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND
15 CONSIDERATION OF OUR REQUESTS.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. LUCAS?

18

19 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYBODY. SORRY I MISSED LAST
20 WEEK. I'M FEELING VERY LAVENDER TODAY FOR SOME REASON. SO, YOU
21 KNOW, IN TERMS OF WHAT SHE WAS JUST SPEAKING ABOUT, I'LL SPEAK
22 ON IT A LITTLE BIT LATER. I WENT TO THE CHILDREN'S COURT IN
23 REGARDS TO MISS VOSGY WHO WAS HERE A COUPLE OF WEEKS AGO. AND
24 I HAVE A VERY INTERACTIVE OPINION ON THAT WHOLE SITUATION THAT
25 IS REALLY QUITE TRAGIC. I DON'T HAVE THE TIME OR THE RESOURCES

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1 TO INVEST IN THAT SITUATION, BUT SHE SO MOVED ME WHEN SHE GOT
2 UP AND SPOKE OF HER CHILDREN THAT I ACTIVELY WENT AND TALKED
3 TO HER, WENT TO THE CHILDREN'S COURT AND SPOKE TO A COUPLE OF
4 THE DEPENDENCY COUNSEL. I'LL SPEAK ON THAT A LITTLE BIT LATER.
5 THIS 53-C IS A REMARKABLE MOTION. I NEED TO POINT OUT THAT
6 SOME OF THE THINGS THAT ARE VERY VITAL FOR THIS TO SUCCEED IS
7 A GOOD PORTION OF THESE INDIVIDUALS THAT NEED THIS ALSO NEED
8 TO LEARN HOW TO WORK. ALSO NEED TO LEARN HOW TO INTERACT IN
9 SOCIETY IN A VERY CONSTRUCTIVE WAY. I KNOW FOR MY OWN
10 EXPERIENCE, I STOOD IN MY OWN WAY A GOOD PORTION OF THE TIME.
11 BUT IT WASN'T UNTIL I REACHED PRETTY CLOSE TO A HALF CENTURY
12 THAT I REALIZED THAT I WAS MY OWN WORST ENEMY. OUTSIDE OF MY
13 SENSE OF REBELLION AND NEGATIVE ATTENTION SEEKING, IT WASN'T
14 FOR THE CARE OF SOMEBODY THAT UNDERSTOOD AND SEEN WHAT WAS
15 GOING ON BEFORE I DID AND HAD THE FAITH TO SEE THROUGH THE
16 SUPERFICIAL ISSUES THAT I WAS THROWING AT THEM. SOME OF THE
17 ISSUES THAT YOU BROUGHT ON THE AGENDA AS FAR AS THIS ITEM 10,
18 YOU KNOW, I CAN'T EMPHASIZE TO YOU HOW IMPORTANT IT IS THAT
19 SOME OF THESE INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE ENTRUSTED WITH SOME OF THE
20 RESOURCES THAT YOU PROVIDE ARE FOCUSED IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION.
21 AND THESE ARE JUST SOME OF MY EXPERIENCES WITH SOME OF THE
22 RESOURCES THAT HAVE BEEN APPROVED AND ENACTED. I KNOW IN HUMAN
23 NATURE, THERE'S A LOT OF TIMES PEOPLE BECOME INVOLVED WITH
24 THEIR OWN PARTICIPATION IN LIFE INSTEAD OF THE COMMITMENT THAT
25 THEY'VE MADE IN TO DO SOMETHING DIFFERENT AND BETTER. WHEN

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1 MONEY'S INVOLVED, HUMAN NATURE, FROM MY EXPERIENCE, HAS A
2 TENDENCY TO TAKE A LITTLE FOCUS OUT OF THE SINCERITY OF WHAT
3 THEY'RE DOING. WHEN SOMEBODY HOLDS A POSITION ABOVE YOU AND
4 HAS SOMETHING THAT IS DESPERATELY NEEDED, SOMETIMES THEY ABUSE
5 THAT. THIS IS MY EXPERIENCE. I HAVE THE FORTUITIVENESS AND
6 SOME OF THE SUPPORT TO HANG IN THERE. SOME PEOPLE DON'T.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. LUCAS. MR. PREVEN.

9

10 **ERIC PREVEN:** TODAY I WILL NOT ADDRESS THE BUDGET ITEMS AND I
11 WILL COME BACK ON THOSE ITEMS AND ALSO ITEM NUMBER 10 JUST TO
12 BE CLEAR AND ITEM 42 REGARDING THE SHERIFF STUFF. SO ON THE
13 STUFF THAT IS IN THIS LITTLE CLUSTER, ITEM NO. 52 IS THE
14 D.C.F.S., HEALTH, MENTAL HEALTH, PUBLIC HEALTH PRESENTATION,
15 WHICH UNFORTUNATELY IT WAS NOT LINKED, SO I WAS NOT ABLE TO
16 READ THAT REPORT. AND I DON'T KNOW IF YOU'RE PLANNING ON
17 HEARING FROM THEM OR IF IT'S AVAILABLE NOW, BUT THAT SHOULD BE
18 PREREQUISITE TO PUTTING ON THE AGENDA THAT WE CAN LOOK AT IT
19 BECAUSE I THINK THEN THERE CAN BE MORE INTELLIGENT COMMENTS
20 ABOUT IT. ITEM NO. 51, MR. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR ANTONOVICH, IS
21 ROLLING OUT SOME ANIMAL CONTROL. AND HE WILL BE ROLLING OUT AS
22 MUCH ANIMAL CONTROL AS POSSIBLE BECAUSE THAT IS HIS WAY AND WE
23 DO APPRECIATE SOME OF IT. WE DO NOT APPRECIATE THE REVENUE
24 TAGGING OF INDIVIDUALS FOR VARIOUS ACTIVITIES. AND I WILL SAY
25 ACROSS THE STREET AT THE CITY THEY'VE INVOKED SOMETHING THAT I

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1 FIND REALLY SUSPICIOUS. THEY HAVE A MANDATORY BUNNY RABBIT
2 CHIPPING PROGRAM. LET'S NOT GO IN THAT DIRECTION. IT'S TOO
3 EXPENSIVE. PEOPLE WANT TO TAKE CARE OF A BUNNY BUT IF IT GETS
4 AWAY, I'M VERY SENSITIVE TO THAT. WE CAN'T BE DIGGING INTO
5 THAT KIND OF REVENUE. IT'S NOT APPROPRIATE. ITEM 48 AND 49 I
6 HAVE TO BE BRIEF BECAUSE IT IS NOT ENOUGH TIME. IT IS LA-RICS
7 RELATED. I WANT TO SAY THANKS TO MOTOROLA. I THINK SOMEBODY
8 NEEDS TO SAY THANK YOU TO MOTOROLA BEYOND ENGLANDER, KNABE AND
9 ALLEN IN THE MUTUAL THANK YOU DEPARTMENT, BUT I DO THINK IT IS
10 IMPORTANT THEY BE ACKNOWLEDGED IN THE LA-RICS ON-GOING
11 DISCUSSION. AND ITEM NO. 7 I WOULD LIKE TO THANK SUPERVISOR
12 SOLIS AND THE MAYOR FOR LOOKING AT PALANTIER. PALENTIER IS A
13 GROUP THAT I SHOULD SAY GETS A STRONG RECOMMENDATION FROM THE
14 L.A.P.D., YOU COULD SAY. I SAW ON YOUTUBE, BELIEVE IT OR NOT,
15 A COMMERCIAL WITH IT LOOKED LIKE CHIEF BECK, WHICH WAS
16 ASTONISHING, GIVEN THAT YOU'RE QUESTIONING THIS GROUP'S
17 BILLING PRACTICES OR AT LEAST THE SHERIFF'S RECEIVING OF THOSE
18 BILLS. I DON'T KNOW. WE'LL GET TO THE BOTTOM OF IT, I'M SURE.
19 THIS WAS A GROUP THAT HELPS WITH DATA AND TRACKING CRIMINALS
20 SO WE WANT TO PURSUE ALL AVENUES, BUT WE DON'T WANT TO GET
21 HOSED AS WE HAVE BEEN REGULARLY BY THAT GROUP ALLEGEDLY. ITEM
22 NO. 34 WHERE IT SAYS ADOPT OR RESCIND TRAFFIC REGULATIONS. I
23 WILL SAY WHAT THAT MEANS IS ADOPT REGULATIONS. AND THE
24 REGULATIONS RESULT IN REVENUE. SO LET'S BE VERY CLEAR ABOUT
25 THAT. AND IN THE MARINA, WE DON'T NEED THAT. AND I WILL POINT

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1 TO MODERN PARKING. I DON'T KNOW IF THEY'RE THE ONES WHO
2 COLLECT ON THIS VERSUS THE SHERIFF DOWN THERE, BUT GETTING
3 THESE KINDS OF THINGS ON THE BOOKS HURTS THE FOLKS WHO ARE
4 PUTTING THEIR VEHICLES DOWN. NOW, JOB ORDER CONTRACTING I HAVE
5 TO SPEND THE LAST 30 SECONDS BECAUSE IT'S AN ASTONISHING TURN
6 OF EVENTS HERE. WE HAVE A GROUP GETTING THE CONTRACTS, \$21
7 MILLION WORTH OF THEM, FOR 4.3 MILLION EACH FOR 69 CENTS ON
8 THE DOLLAR BUT THEY'VE BEEN INVALIDATED. SO THE RESULT IS:
9 M.T.M., WHO I CAN ONLY DESCRIBE AS A REGULAR CUSTOMER, MASUD
10 KNOWS THESE FOLKS WELL, MASUD EFECTAR, HE'S OUR GUY TO GO TO
11 IN THE PUBLIC WORKS DEPARTMENT. SIR DO YOU WANT TO GIVE ME
12 MORE TIME SINCE WE HAVE 300 ITEMS? THANK YOU FOR YOUR
13 GENEROSITY.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME ALSO CALL UP VOSGY KOUSAYAN,
16 MR. SACHS?

17

18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU, GOOD MORNING, ARNOLD SACHS. AND I
19 HAVE SOMEWHAT OF A DIFFERENT OPINION ON SOME OF THESE ITEMS.
20 I, TOO, HELD ITEM NO. 11. THIS IS FROM FEBRUARY 5, 2013,
21 RECOMMENDATION IS SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR ANTONOVICH, SEND A
22 FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO GOVERNOR BROWN AND THE STATE
23 LEGISLATURE EXPRESSING STRONG OPPOSITION TO THE GOVERNOR'S
24 PROPOSED REDUCTION TO THE TRIAL COURTS. AND THEN APRIL 1,
25 2014, RECOMMENDATION SUBMITTED BY SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS,

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1 DIRECT THE CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO ADD A PRIORITY ITEM TO
2 THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY LEGISLATIVE AGENDA REGARDING \$33
3 MILLION BUDGET REQUEST FOR DEPENDENCY COURT-APPOINTED COUNSEL
4 AS MADE BY THE CHIEF JUSTICE OF THE CALIFORNIA SUPREME COURT,
5 WHICH IS PRETTY MUCH THE SAME MOTION YOU HAVE ON TODAY'S
6 AGENDA ABOUT THE \$33.1 MILLION. AND SO I'M WONDERING BECAUSE
7 THIS IS A LETTER FROM THE L.A. TIMES, AND WE KNOW HOW, WELL,
8 WE DON'T EVEN WANT TO KNOW ABOUT THAT, FROM THE "DAILY BREEZE"
9 ABOUT THE JUDICIAL PERKS BEING OUT OF ORDER AND THE 47,000,
10 ALMOST \$48,000 THOUGH THAT THE COUNTY PAYS, COUNTY JUDGES IN
11 THE COUNTY ACCORDING TO THIS ARTICLE WHEN JERRY BROWN, BY THE
12 WAY, MADE 2014 REVISED BUDGET INCLUDES \$60 MILLION MORE FOR
13 TRIAL COURTS, THAT'S FROM THE I CAN'T EVEN REMEMBER. BUT HE
14 ASKED FOR MORE EFFICIENCY IN DOING WHAT IS BEING DONE. SO THE
15 L.A. JUDGES IN L.A. COUNTY ARE GETTING 179,000 ANNUAL SALARY
16 PLUS \$48,000 FROM THE COUNTY. IN OCTOBER 2011, THE STATE
17 APPELLATE COURT RULED THAT THE COUNTY CANNOT -- WHAT THE
18 COUNTY IS DOING IS ILLEGAL. BUT THE STATE LEGISLATURE IN 2012-
19 13 BUDGET PASSED A RIDER TO ALLOW THEM TO CONTINUE. SO WHY ARE
20 THEY STILL GETTING THE \$40,000 FROM THE COUNTY WHEN YOU'RE
21 YAPPING ABOUT GETTING \$33 MILLION FOR CHILD DEPENDENCY COURT
22 AND ALL THESE PROBLEMS? WE DON'T KNOW. BUT ALL THE PROBLEMS
23 OUT HERE ARE SPEAKING UP FOR YOUR RIGHTS IN DOING THIS STUFF
24 ON THE AGENDA, DON'T MENTION THAT. AND THE L.A. TIMES AND THE
25 "DAILY BREEZE" AND ALL THESE RIGHTFUL EDITORIALS THAT THEY

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1 WRITE, THEY DON'T MENTION IT, EITHER. BUT THE STORY WAS IN THE
2 NEWSPAPERS. THEN I HELD ITEM 16, MINUTES OF MEETINGS THE
3 DISTRICT FOR WHICH THE BOARD IS GOVERNING BODY. SO I WAS
4 WONDERING ABOUT SOMETHING LIKE THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY HOUSING
5 DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION, WHICH WAS A NONPROFIT FORMED BY THE
6 BOARD. I WAS WONDERING ABOUT THE GOLD LINE TRUST WHICH WAS
7 FOUNDED. I WAS WONDERING ABOUT THE M.T.A. WITH ERIC GARCETTI
8 AS THE CHAIRPERSON. COUNTY COUNSEL SITS AT ALL THESE BOARD
9 MEETINGS. COLISEUM COUNTY COUNSEL SITS AT THE BOARD MEETINGS.
10 WHY? DOES THE COUNTY COUNSEL BE THE JUDGING POINT FOR WHAT THE
11 DISTRICT IS IMPORTANT TO? I MEAN IT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE. AND,
12 YOU KNOW, IT'S REALLY TERRIBLE THAT YOU ONLY GIVE US THREE
13 MINUTES ON ALL THESE IMPORTANT ITEMS THAT ARE COMING UP.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. SACHS.

16

17 **ARNOLD SACHS:** SO LET'S TALK ABOUT THAT \$40 MILLION.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **VOSGY KOUSAYAN:** I PERSONALLY, I'M AGAINST THE MONEY FOR COUNTY
22 COUNSEL FOR DEPENDENCY, THE LADY EARLIER MENTIONED THE 300
23 KIDS WHO ARE REPRESENTED BY COUNTY COUNSEL. TWO OF THOSE KIDS
24 ARE MY KIDS AND THEY DON'T NEED COUNTY COUNSEL. MR. LUCAS, SEE
25 THE THING IS IT'S HARD FOR ME TO GET HELP FOR THIS CASE

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1 BECAUSE PEOPLE DON'T UNDERSTAND MY CASE IS NOT A USUAL CASE.
2 SO LIKE ME AND MR. LUCAS HAD AN ISSUE LAST WEEK BECAUSE HE WAS
3 LOOKING AT THIS LIKE IT'S A REGULAR CASE. HE'S UNAWARE THAT IN
4 THE BEGINNING THE FATHER AND I HAD WIC VIOLATION 300-B AND WE
5 ARE BOTH FOUND SUBSTANTIALLY. I GUESS WE ARE BOTH FOUND GUILTY
6 FOR NONPLACEMENT EVEN THOUGH MY KIDS HAD A BABY SITTER EVEN
7 WHEN THE SOCIAL WORKER TOOK THEM FROM THE POLICE STATION. I
8 WAS ACTUALLY THERE STILL WHEN SHE TOOK THEM. I WAS THERE WHEN
9 SANDY PEREZ TOOK MY KIDS. THE JUDGE ON JANUARY 13TH SENT THEM
10 TO NEVADA. HE GAVE ME 15 MINUTES WITH THEM AND THAT'S IT. HE
11 SENT THEM TO NEVADA. AND ON MARCH 2ND, HE REALIZED THAT HE
12 SENT THEM WITH A NONCUSTODIAL PARENT. SO WHAT HE DID IS HE
13 GRANTED IMMUNITY FOR THE FATHER AND THE STEP MOM TO TESTIFY
14 AGAINST ME AFTER THEY WENT ON RECORD SAYING THEY HAVEN'T BEEN
15 THERE IN NINE YEARS. I MEAN [INAUDIBLE] SO ON THE REPORT FOR
16 THE JURISDICTIONAL HEARING, THE FATHER SAYS I HAVEN'T BEEN
17 AROUND IN NINE YEARS. SO THE JUDGE WANTED -- LIKE HE PURPOSELY
18 LET THESE PEOPLE COMMIT PERJURY. AFTER I HAD BEEN A SINGLE MOM
19 FOR 11 YEARS. THIS JUDGE IS SICK. HE HATES WOMEN. HE'S SICK.
20 HE'S [INAUDIBLE] MY BABY'S DADDY. HE DIDN'T EVEN DIDN'T ALLOW
21 ME IN THE COURTROOM YESTERDAY. I WENT WITH A PAID ATTORNEY.
22 AND I WASN'T ALLOWED IN THE COURTROOM. MY KIDS HAVE BEEN
23 KIDNAPPED BY THE COUNTY, PERIOD. AND EVERYBODY'S WATCHING ME
24 TO SEE LIKE, OH, SHE SAID THIS, SHE SAID THAT. WE'VE BEEN
25 ALIENATED. WHO KISSES MY KIDS? WHO TELLS MY KIDS THEY ARE

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1 LOVED? THESE PEOPLE DIDN'T CALL MY KIDS ON CHRISTMAS.

2 [INAUDIBLE] DIDN'T EVEN CALL. MY KIDS LIVE WITH A STRANGER.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY, EXEC.OFCR:** MR. MAYOR, WE HAVE A NUMBER
7 OF ITEMS BEFORE US, 1, 6, 7, 11, 16, 17, 22, 23, 26, 27, 28,
8 34, 39, 44, 45, 53-A, 53-B AND 53-C.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR KNABE. SECOND
11 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. MOVE TO THE BUDGET? MR. PREVEN?

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM CEO:** MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
14 GOOD MORNING. TODAY I AM PROPOSING THE 2015-16 RECOMMENDED
15 BUDGET. AS YOU KNOW, THIS IS THE FIRST STEP IN THE COUNTY'S
16 ANNUAL BUDGET PROCESS AS PRESCRIBED BY LAW. TODAY'S BUDGET,
17 AND LET ME GET TO THAT SLIDE HERE. TODAY'S BUDGET IS PROPOSING
18 \$26.9 BILLION AND HAS APPROXIMATELY 107,000 BUDGETED
19 POSITIONS. THIS WOULD REFLECT ABOUT A \$200 MILLION DECREASE
20 FROM LAST YEAR'S FINAL ADOPTED BUDGET AND AN INCREASE OF ABOUT
21 1,300 POSITIONS. 22.1 BILLION OF THE FUNDS, OR APPROXIMATELY
22 82 PERCENT OF THE BUDGET, GOES TOWARDS HEALTH, PUBLIC
23 PROTECTION AND PUBLIC ASSISTANCE. THE FOCUS OF THE PROPOSED
24 BUDGET IS BASED ON THE BOARD'S PRIORITIES. BASICALLY, THERE'S
25 THREE AREAS, REFORMS IN THE COUNTY JAILS IN IMPROVING MENTAL

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1 HEALTH SERVICES IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM, FRONTLINE
2 STAFF WORKING TO PROTECT KIDS IN THE COUNTY'S CHILD WELFARE
3 AREA, AND IMPROVING PATIENT ACCESS TO QUALITY HEALTHCARE.
4 APPROXIMATELY \$99 MILLION IS PUT ASIDE FOR THE CRIMINAL
5 JUSTICE SYSTEM IMPROVEMENTS. THAT WOULD BE SET ASIDE IN THE
6 PROVISIONAL FINANCE UNITS, OR THE P.F.U., BUDGET TO PROVIDE
7 THE SHERIFF WITH ALLOCATIONS NECESSARY TO BUILD ON REFORMS
8 CONTINUING IN THE JAIL SYSTEM. THIS ALSO INCLUDES FUNDING TO
9 INCREASE DAILY SECURITY CHECKS UNDERTAKEN BY DEPUTIES TO
10 ENSURE INMATE SAFETY, FUNDING TO FURTHER IMPROVE MENTAL HEALTH
11 SERVICES IN THE JAILS AND CONTINUE THE CREATION OF THE INMATE
12 DIVERSE TREATMENT PROGRAM. IN JUNE, DURING BUDGET
13 DELIBERATIONS, WE WILL RETURN WITH ANY REVISIONS TO THE
14 FUNDING LEVEL RECOMMENDATIONS TO THE BOARD SHOULD THEY CHANGE.
15 WITH RESPECT TO THE CHILD PROTECTION AREA, APPROXIMATELY 66
16 MILLION OR \$67 MILLION HAS BEEN PUT ASIDE FOR THIS AREA. THAT
17 WOULD BE THE INCREASE OF APPROXIMATELY 542 NEW POSITIONS TO
18 REDUCE CASELOADS AND IMPROVE SAFETY IN THE CHILD PROTECTION
19 SYSTEM. THIS AREA ALSO INCLUDES THE COUNTY'S COMMITMENT TO
20 TREATING COMMERCIALY SEXUALLY EXPLOITED CHILDREN AND THE
21 BUDGET PROVIDES ADDITIONAL RESOURCES FOR THE VULNERABLE
22 POPULATION. FOR HEALTH SERVICES, D.H.S. IS MAKING PROGRESS ON
23 THEIR HEALTHCARE DELIVERY MODEL THAT FEATURES PATIENT-CENTERED
24 MEDICAL CARE AND WILL HELP THEM SUCCEED UNDER THE AFFORDABLE
25 CARE ACT. THE RECOMMENDED BUDGET SUPPORTS THESE EFFORTS BY

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1 ADDING APPROXIMATELY \$22 MILLION, OR 351 POSITIONS, TO PROVIDE
2 ADDITIONAL NURSING SERVICES, MEDICAL CARE FOR HIGH RISK/HIGH
3 NEED PATIENTS AND PRIMARY CARE MEDICAL HOMES. AS FAR AS LONG-
4 TERM BUDGETARY ISSUES, THESE ARE NOT INCLUDED IN TODAY'S
5 PROPOSED BUDGET; BUT BETWEEN NOW AND OUR SUPPLEMENTAL CHANGES,
6 THESE ARE DISCUSSIONS I BELIEVE THAT THE BOARD SHOULD HAVE,
7 TALKING ABOUT FOUR AREAS WITH RESPECT TO PENSIONS, RETIREE
8 HEALTH, CAPITAL IMPROVEMENTS AND TECHNOLOGICAL INFRASTRUCTURE.
9 WITH RESPECT TO THE PENSIONS, OUR PENSION AREA IS FUNDED BY
10 ABOUT 80 PERCENT, BUT THERE STILL IS LIABILITY THAT WILL BE
11 REFLECTED IN THE DECEMBER FINANCIALS. WITH RESPECT TO THE
12 RETIREE HEALTH, THIS IS A MUCH LARGER LIABILITY. AND THE
13 BOARD, SHOULD IT CHOOSE, SHOULD BE LOOKING AT A LONG-TERM
14 SOLUTION TO ADDRESS THIS AREA. THE SAME GOES FOR CAPITAL
15 IMPROVEMENTS AND TECHNOLOGICAL INFRASTRUCTURES THAT I BELIEVE
16 THE BOARD, TOGETHER WITH THE C.E.O. AND DEPARTMENTS, SHOULD
17 START LOOKING AT BUILDING UPON A LONG-TERM STRATEGIC PLAN.
18 WITH RESPECT TO THE COUNTY'S FINANCIAL STABILITY, THE COUNTY'S
19 STRONG FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT, FINANCIAL POLICIES AND BUDGET
20 PERFORMANCE HAS BEEN CONSISTENTLY RECOGNIZED BY THE CREDIT
21 RATING AGENCIES. THIS RECOGNITION HAS RESULTED IN CREDIT
22 RATING AGENCY UPGRADES FOR THE COUNTY. AGAIN, THIS HAS BEEN
23 THE RESULT OF THE BOARD'S LONG-STANDING COMMITMENT TO
24 CONSERVATIVE BUDGET PRACTICES WHICH HAS ALSO HELPED THE COUNTY
25 TO WEATHER THE GREAT RECESSION WITHOUT LAYOFFS, FURLOUGHS OR

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1 MAJOR SERVICE REDUCTIONS. WITH RESPECT TO THE STATE BUDGET,
2 THE GOVERNOR'S 2015-16 PROPOSED BUDGET CONTAINED NO REDUCTION
3 TO THE COUNTY ADMINISTERED PROGRAMS AND INCLUDES REPAYMENT TO
4 SOME OF THE DEFERRED STATE MANDATES TO THE COUNTY. WITH
5 RESPECT TO THE FEDERAL BUDGET, WE CONTINUE TO MONITOR BUDGET
6 ACTIONS AT BOTH THE STATE AND FEDERAL LEVELS AND WILL KEEP THE
7 BOARD UPDATED TO THE IMPACT OF THE COUNTY'S BUDGET. LASTLY,
8 AGAIN, TODAY IS JUST THE BEGINNING STEP IN THE BUDGET PROCESS.
9 PUBLIC HEARINGS WILL OPEN ON MAY 13TH, AND BUDGET
10 DELIBERATIONS WILL BEGIN ON JUNE 22ND UNTIL CONCLUSION. WITH
11 THAT, I DO WANT TO TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO THANK ALL OF THE
12 BOARD OFFICES, THE DEPARTMENTS AND THE C.E.O.'S STAFF FOR
13 WORKING WITH ME TO PUT THIS PROPOSED BUDGET TOGETHER FOR YOUR
14 BOARD. WITH THAT, MR. MAYOR, I DON'T KNOW IF YOU WANT TO TURN
15 TO PUBLIC COMMENT OR IF YOU'D LIKE TO BEGIN ASKING QUESTIONS.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE ONE PUBLIC COMMENT, MR.
18 PREVEN. TWO MINUTES.

19

20 **ERIC PREVEN:** ERIC PREVEN COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. AND
21 TODAY'S BUDGET I HAVE HAD A CHANCE TO LOOK AT IT. IT'S A
22 LITTLE BIT BENEATH LAST YEAR'S BUDGET, WHICH IS KIND OF
23 IMPRESSIVE. THE MAIN POINTS I'D LIKE TO MAKE ARE THAT
24 REGARDING ADDING POSITIONS, WHICH WE ARE DOING IN BOTH THE
25 D.C.F.S. AND IN CONNECTION WITH HEALTH SERVICES GROUP IN THE

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1 SMALL NUMBER OF HUNDREDS OF JOBS THAT WE'RE ADDING AND ROLES,
2 I THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO DO SO. I THINK THAT WE SHOULD LOOK
3 AT THE FILLED VERSUS UNFILLED POSITION GAME THAT WE ARE
4 CONSTANTLY PLAYING BECAUSE THAT WAS NOT PROMINENTLY ON DISPLAY
5 IN TODAY'S PAPERWORK, AND THAT IS IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND
6 BECAUSE WHAT'S NOT OKAY IS I THINK HAVING GREAT GOBS OF
7 UNFILLED POSITIONS WHILE ALSO ADDING POSITIONS. I THINK WE
8 SHOULD TRY TO AVOID THAT TECHNIQUE FOR SAVING MONEY BECAUSE IT
9 SEEMS TO -- IT'S NOT JUSTIFYING THE DELIVERY OF SERVICE ISSUES
10 THAT WE DO HAVE IN THESE SECTIONS. ALSO, I WOULD HAVE TO SAY
11 THE BIG ISSUE OF DIVERSION, WHICH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY LACEY
12 IS LOOKING AT AND WILL BE REPORTING BACK, I SAW THERE'S \$10
13 MILLION EARMARKED FOR THAT TO -- BUT I REALLY THINK WE NEED TO
14 ADDRESS THE CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT PROJECT OF BUILDING THIS GIANT
15 JAIL AND RIGHT SIZE THAT PROGRAM. ONCE WE HAVE THE STATE-OF-
16 THE-ART INFORMATION, WHICH WE SHOULD HAVE ALREADY, BY THE WAY,
17 THERE IS NO SECRET THIS IS TAKING WAY TOO LONG, THAT WE HAVE
18 PROGRAMS THAT WORK IN OTHER COMMUNITIES FOR DIVERTING PEOPLE
19 FROM INCARCERATION THAT WOULD REDUCE THE NEED FOR SUCH A GIANT
20 STATE-OF-THE-ART, EXTREMELY EXPENSIVE JAIL THAT A.E.C.O.M. HAS
21 PLANNED FOR US, WE SHOULD STAND UP, SUPERVISORS, AND DEMAND
22 THAT THAT BE CORRECTED, OKAY? AND REGARDING THE -- WELL, I
23 SHOULD SAY THE INFRASTRUCTURE ISSUES FROM CAPITAL IMPROVEMENT
24 SECTION, YOU KNOW, ACROSS THE STREET AT THE LOS ANGELES CITY,
25 THEY JUST SETTLED A MAJOR LAWSUIT OR A.D.A. LAWSUIT CALLED

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1 WILLETS VERSUS THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES THAT IS A \$1.3 BILLION
2 SETTLEMENT. \$30 MILLION A YEAR TO MAKE THE SIDEWALKS AND THE
3 CURBS ACCESSIBLE FOR DISABILITY FOLKS, WHICH IS CRITICALLY
4 IMPORTANT. AND HERE AT THE COUNTY WE HAVE AN ENORMOUS AS WE
5 SAY --

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS? ARNOLD SACHS?
8 MR. SACHS? LET ME FIRST SAY THAT WE WANT TO THANK THE INTERIM
9 C.E.O. FOR THE BUDGET AND WORKING WITH ALL OF THE OFFICES AND
10 WITH ALL OF OUR DEPARTMENT HEADS AND COMING INTO THIS POSITION
11 WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO CREATE SOME GREATER EFFICIENCIES AND HONEST
12 COMMON-SENSE APPROACH TO DECISION MAKING AT ALL LEVELS WITHIN
13 THE C.E.O. ORGANIZATION, THE COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS AND
14 OUR COUNTY DEPARTMENTS. WHILE THIS BUDGET IS ONLY THE THIRD
15 BUDGET SINCE THE RECESSION BEGAN WHERE REVENUES HAD
16 STABILIZED, WE STILL FACE SEVERAL FISCAL CHALLENGES WITH STATE
17 AND FEDERAL UNFUNDED MANDATES. THIS IS ALSO THE FIRST BUDGET
18 WHERE THE COUNTY'S HAD A SIGNIFICANT CHANGE IN LEADERSHIP,
19 WHERE WE HAD TWO NEW SUPERVISORS, NEW COUNTY TAX ASSESSOR AND
20 A NEW INTERIM C.E.O. SOME OF THE CHALLENGES THAT WE WILL FACE
21 DURING THIS COMING YEAR INCLUDE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF OBAMA
22 CARE. AS I MENTIONED, THE UNFUNDED MANDATES, THE CONSTRUCTION
23 OF A NEW JAIL, RECRUITING 524 SHERIFF DEPUTIES, 444 SOCIAL
24 WORKERS AND ADDITIONAL PROBATION WORKERS FOR THE A.B.109 RE-
25 ALIGNMENT PROGRAM AND REPLACING OUR DETERIORATING COUNTY

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1 FACILITIES. BUT LET ME CALL UP SHERIFF MCDONNELL AND ASSISTANT
2 SHERIFF ROGERS? ONCE AGAIN WELCOME YOU. THIS IS YOUR FIRST
3 BUDGET AS WELL SO WE WELCOME YOU AND IT'S BEEN A PLEASURE
4 WORKING WITH YOU DURING YOUR TERM OF OFFICE. AS IT RELATES TO
5 THE DEPARTMENT'S DEPUTY SHERIFF POSITIONS, WE KNOW THAT THE
6 HIRING OF SWORN POSITIONS IS A LENGTHY PROCESS. AND WE NEED TO
7 RETAIN HIGH STANDARDS WHICH CANNOT BE LOWERED OR COMPROMISED
8 TO AVOID PAST MISTAKES WHEN THEY HAD DONE THEM. UNDER THE ITEM
9 TODAY, WE APPROVED FUNDING FOR AN ADDITIONAL 77 POSITIONS,
10 WHICH INCLUDES A COMBINATION OF SWORN AND CIVILIAN FOR OUR
11 JAIL OPERATIONS. WHAT IS THE AVERAGE LENGTH OF TIME THAT AN
12 APPLICANT TAKES IN COMPLETING THE BACKGROUND PROCESS?

13

14 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** ABOUT EIGHT MONTHS.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WHAT IS THE CURRENT RATE OF
17 ATTRITION FOR SWORN PERSONNEL?

18

19 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** WELL 360 A YEAR ON AVERAGE FOR THE PAST
20 COUPLE OF YEARS.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HOW MANY EXISTING VACANCIES DO WE
23 CURRENTLY HAVE?

24

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1 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** WE HAVE 440 THAT ARE FILLABLE AND THEN
2 444 ADDITIONAL THAT WE HAVEN'T HAD THE BUDGET FOR.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE APPROVED PHASING OUT CARPING OVER A
5 TWO-YEAR PERIOD, WHICH REQUIRED \$36 MILLION. AND WE HIRED 280
6 DEPUTIES. WHAT IS THE STATUS OF PHASING OUT CARPING?

7

8 **SPEAKER:** MR. MAYOR, WE STARTED TWO YEARS AGO. WE WERE CARPING
9 ABOUT 1,900 SHIFTS PER WEEK.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** EXPLAIN CARPING FOR THE PEOPLE
12 LISTENING AT HOME.

13

14 **SPEAKER:** IT'S CADRE OF ADMINISTRATIVE RESERVE PERSONNEL.
15 ASSIGNING NON-LINE PERSONNEL TO WORK LINE POSITIONS TO AVOID
16 THE NECESSITY TO PAY OVERTIME. AND TWO YEARS AGO, WE HAD ABOUT
17 1,900 POSITIONS PER WEEK THAT WERE BEING CARPED. NON-LINE
18 FOLKS WORKING LINE POSITIONS IN PATROL AND THE JAILS AND THE
19 COURTS. BUT WE'RE DOWN TO APPROXIMATELY 400 PER WEEK NOW. AND
20 WE EXPECT TO CONTINUE PHASING OUT. AND WILL BE COMPLETELY
21 ELIMINATED BY JUNE 30TH OF THIS YEAR.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OH, GOOD, GOOD. I UNDERSTAND THE NEED
24 TO BE SELECTIVE WHEN YOU DO HIRE PERSONNEL. BUT I ALSO
25 UNDERSTAND THAT THE MANDATES IN OUR JAILS AS WELL AS THE

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1 COMMUNITIES WHO EXPECT RESPONSIVE PATROLS TO PROTECT THEM. AS
2 YOU KNOW, WE PUSHED FOR THE PHASE OF INCREASED PATROLS IN THE
3 UNINCORPORATED AREAS. AND GIVEN THE SIGNIFICANT NUMBER OF
4 VACANCIES, WHAT IS YOUR RECOMMENDATION ON PHASE 2 OF
5 UNINCORPORATED PATROL?

6

7 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** IT WOULD BE TO PUT THAT ON HOLD FOR A
8 PERIOD OF TIME UNTIL WE CAN STAFF UP ENOUGH TO BE ABLE TO
9 SATISFY THE MANDATES WE HAVE IN THE CUSTODY ENVIRONMENT AND IN
10 OTHER LOCATIONS THROUGHOUT THE DEPARTMENT.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GOING BACK ON ANOTHER QUESTION. EIGHT-
13 MONTH APPLICATION, BACKGROUND CHECK, IS THAT THE STANDARD
14 TIMEFRAME FOR ALL LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCIES?

15

16 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** THAT'S BEEN SIMILAR TO MY OWN
17 EXPERIENCE WITH BOTH L.A.P.D. AND LONG BEACH P.D. IT'S BEEN
18 ANYWHERE FROM EIGHT MONTHS ON THE GOOD SIDE TO WELL OVER A
19 YEAR, IN SOME CASES, WITH BACKGROUND AND EVERYTHING DONE.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THERE'S REALLY NO WAY OF
22 SHORTENING THAT TIMEFRAME?

23

24 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** IT COMES DOWN TO THE NUMBER OF
25 PERSONNEL WE HAVE AVAILABLE TO BE ABLE TO DO THE TESTING, TO

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1 BE ABLE TO DO THE BACKGROUND INVESTIGATIONS AND BE ABLE TO
2 SCREEN DOWN. WE STILL HAVE ABOUT 100 APPLICATIONS TO BE ABLE
3 TO GET THREE PEOPLE TO MAKE IT TO THE ACADEMY. SO IT IS VERY
4 SELECTIVE. WE MAINTAIN HIGH STANDARDS, BUT AS SUCH, THERE'S A
5 SIGNIFICANT SCREENING PROCESS, WHICH IS TIME AND LABOR
6 INTENSIVE TO BE ABLE TO GET THOSE THREE.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS IT POSSIBLE TO BRING BACK 120-DAY
9 RETIREES TO ASSIST IN THAT?

10

11 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** YEAH, WE HAVE SOME. AND WE CERTAINLY
12 COULD USE ADDITIONAL HELP IN PERSONNEL ON THAT.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PART MUCH IT IS THE MAN POWER THAT YOU
15 HAVE GOING THROUGH THE PROCESS. IF WE COULD INCREASE THAT --

16

17 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** RIGHT.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** -- THAT WOULD THEN SHORTEN THE TIME BY
20 A COUPLE MONTHS?

21

22 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** RIGHT. THAT WOULD BE VERY HELPFUL.
23 WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO BRING IN MORE PEOPLE INTO THE PIPELINE, IF
24 YOU WILL, BY WORKING VERY HARD AT OUR RECRUITMENT EFFORTS. WE
25 CONTINUE TO STREAMLINE THOSE AND BE ABLE TO TAKE THOSE TO THE

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1 NEXT LEVEL. SO I ANTICIPATE THAT IF WE WERE ABLE TO GET MORE
2 SUPPORT BEHIND THE SCENES TO DO THE BACKGROUND, WE'D BE ABLE
3 TO REALIZE SOME PRETTY REAL RESULTS FOR THAT.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PERHAPS WE CAN ASK THE C.E.O. TO WORK
6 WITH YOU AND YOU WILL WORK WITH THE C.E.O. TO SEE HOW WE COULD
7 MAYBE BRING IN MORE 120-DAY PEOPLE SOMEHOW FOR THE THE
8 ATTRITION AND WE HAVE A SHORTAGE. BUT WE CAN DO THAT.

9

10 **SUP. KUEHL:** MR. MAYOR, I HAVE A QUESTION ABOUT WHAT THE
11 SHERIFF JUST SAID IF THAT'S ACCEPTABLE?

12

13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SURE, YOU CAN ASK.

14

15 **SUP. KUEHL:** SHERIFF MCDONNELL, YOU INDICATED THAT FOR EVERY --
16 OUT OF EVERY 100 APPLICATIONS AFTER SCREENING, ESSENTIALLY
17 ONLY THREE, ON AVERAGE, HAVE BEEN FOUND QUALIFIED. IS THAT TO
18 ENTER THE ACADEMY?

19

20 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** THAT'S TO GET INTO THE ACADEMY.

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL:** YOU'RE ALSO ASKING EXTRA CLASSES AT THE ACADEMY SO
23 WE CAN PUT OUT MORE FULLY QUALIFIED DEPUTIES. SO HOW DO THOSE
24 THINGS GO TOGETHER? ARE THERE SUFFICIENT APPLICANTS THAT 3 OUT
25 OF 100 STILL FILLS ALL YOUR CLASSES AND MORE?

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1

2 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** IT JUST MEANS THAT WE HAVE TO DO A MUCH
3 GREATER EFFORT TO BE ABLE TO HAVE A BIGGER POOL OF PEOPLE TO
4 BE ABLE TO BEGIN THE TESTING PROCESS. AS LONG AS WE MAINTAIN
5 THE STANDARDS WHERE THEY ARE, WHICH IS WHAT WE'RE GOING TO DO,
6 IT'LL TAKE THAT KIND OF NUMBER TO BE ABLE TO GET TO THE 3 THAT
7 WILL MAKE IT TO THE ACADEMY. SO YOU CAN EXTRAPOLATE, THEN, THE
8 NUMBERS THAT WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO BE ABLE TO BRING IN ON THE
9 FRONT END. RIGHT NOW WE'RE BRINGING IN ABOUT 350 APPLICANTS
10 PER WEEK INTO THE PROCESS, WHICH IS A PRETTY SUBSTANTIAL
11 INCREASE FROM WHERE IT WAS. AND WE'VE GOT SOME PRETTY
12 SIGNIFICANT RECRUITMENT EFFORTS UNDERWAY THAT WE'RE FINE-
13 TUNING NOW BEFORE WE ROLL THOSE OUT. BUT WE ANTICIPATE THAT
14 WE'LL BE ABLE TO DRAW ON A PRETTY SIZABLE POPULATION TO BE
15 ABLE, THEN, TO STAFF UP AND HOPEFULLY BE ABLE TO FILL RECRUIT
16 CLASSES WITH THE BEST AND THE BRIGHTEST THAT ARE OUT THERE.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'LL GO BACK IN A SECOND, BUT GIVEN
19 THE ISSUE OF CAMERAS, CAN YOU GIVE US AN OVERVIEW OF THE PILOT
20 PROGRAM TO TEST OUR DEPUTY-WORN CAMERAS?

21

22 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** SURE WE BEGAN THE PROGRAM USING FOUR
23 DIFFERENT CAMERA PLATFORMS BACK ON SEPTEMBER 1ST OF '14. WE
24 COMPLETED THAT MARCH 1ST OF THIS YEAR AND NOW WE ARE GOING
25 THROUGH THE ASSESSMENT PROCESS TO BE ABLE TO SEE WHICH OF

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1 THOSE FOUR PLATFORMS IS THE BEST FOR THIS ORGANIZATION. AS YOU
2 KNOW, THAT ACROSS THE COUNTRY, THERE'S KIND OF A PUBLIC OUTCRY
3 FOR INCREASING THE NUMBER OF CAMERA, BODY-WORN CAMERAS
4 PARTICULARLY AS WELL AS DASH-MOUNTED CAMERAS IN THE POLICING
5 ENVIRONMENT. ONE OF THE THINGS WE WANT TO BE CAREFUL OF IS
6 THAT WE ARE FULLY AWARE GOING IN AS TO WHAT THE COSTS ARE. AND
7 WHEN YOU LOOK AT THE MONEY THAT'S ALLOCATED FOR THE HARDWARE,
8 THAT'S REALLY THE LEAST SIGNIFICANT AMOUNT OF MONEY THAT WILL
9 BE INVOLVED IN THE PROCESS. WHEN YOU THEN LOOK AT THE ABILITY
10 TO BE ABLE TO HAVE SERVER SPACE AVAILABLE, TO BE ABLE TO
11 UPLOAD, TO BE ABLE TO CATALOG AND RETRIEVE THAT VIDEO DATA
12 UPON REQUEST FOR AN INVESTIGATION, FOR DISCOVERY FOR COURT,
13 THEN THE INFRASTRUCTURE NECESSARY TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE THAT,
14 THE PROFESSIONAL STAFF THAT WILL BE NECESSARY TO BE ABLE TO DO
15 THE WORK IS REALLY THE LARGEST PART OF THE COST EFFORT. SO AS
16 WE MOVE FORWARD, WE WANT TO GO IN WITH EYES WIDE OPEN AS TO
17 WHAT WE'RE PUTTING ON THE TABLE, WHAT TECHNOLOGY WE'RE GOING
18 TO EMPLOY, THAT WE'VE GOT THE BEST OUT THERE, THAT IT'S TESTED
19 IN THE ENVIRONMENTS THAT WE WORK IN, AND THAT WE HAVE THE
20 ABILITY ON THE BACK END TO BE ABLE TO USE THE DATA THAT WE GET
21 APPROPRIATELY.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET ME READ IN A MOTION WE'RE GOING TO
24 PUT ON THE TABLE. WE'LL PUT ALL THE MOTIONS ON THE TABLE AND
25 VOTE BY SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS AND MYSELF. "THE SHERIFF'S

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1 DEPARTMENT IS IN THE PROCESS OF RECRUITING AND HIRING CUSTODY
2 ASSISTANTS AND HUNDREDS OF DEPUTY SHERIFFS TO FILL EXISTING
3 VACANCIES TO KEEP UP WITH ATTRITION, PREPARE FOR ANTICIPATED
4 INCREASES IN NEEDED PERSONNEL IN THE UPCOMING FISCAL YEAR. THE
5 DEPARTMENT IS ALSO MAKING GREAT STRIDES IN DELIVERING VITAL
6 PUBLIC SAFETY SERVICES IN THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS AND WORKING
7 DILIGENTLY TO IMPLEMENT POLICIES AND PROCEDURES TO MEET ITS
8 CONSTITUTIONAL MANDATES AND CUSTODY OPERATIONS. THESE AND
9 OTHER CRUCIAL FUNCTIONS CANNOT BE SUCCESSFULLY PERFORMED
10 WITHOUT HIGHLY QUALIFIED HUMAN RESOURCES. AS PART OF ITS
11 BUDGET PRIORITIES, THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAS REQUESTED 17
12 POSITIONS IN THE PRE-EMPLOYMENT UNIT, 8 POSITIONS IN TRAINING
13 BUREAU AND 80 DEPUTY SHERIFF TRAINING POSITIONS. THESE WOULD
14 REQUIRE A BUDGET INCREASE OF APPROXIMATELY \$13 MILLION. IN
15 ADDITION TO PERSONNEL, THE DEPARTMENT IS RESEARCHING AND
16 EVALUATING THE BEST STRATEGIES FOR A ROBUST RECRUITMENT
17 CAMPAIGN THAT ATTRACTS THE MOST QUALIFIED CANDIDATES; HOWEVER,
18 NO ADDITIONAL RESOURCES TOWARD THIS HAVE YET BEEN REQUESTED BY
19 THE DEPARTMENT. THE SHERIFF IS COMMITTED TO ACCOMPLISHING
20 THEIR CHALLENGE WITHOUT COMPROMISING HIRING STANDARDS, THE
21 BACKGROUND PROCESS OR THE QUALITY OF TRAINING PROVIDED TO EACH
22 NEW RECRUIT. THE BOARD SHOULD PARTNER WITH THE SHERIFF IN THIS
23 EFFORT, PROVIDING THE DEPARTMENT WITH THE NECESSARY SUPPORT.
24 FURTHERMORE, THE RECRUITMENT DRIVE WILL BE NECESSARY TO FILL
25 THESE POSITIONS ALSO PRESENTS AN OPPORTUNITY FOR ADDRESSING

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1 THE CHALLENGES FACING THE DEPARTMENT TODAY BY TARGETING
2 CANDIDATES WHO POSSESS SUCH AS CULTURAL COMPETENCE, CONFLICT
3 DEESCALATION, AN ATTITUDE FOR WORKING WITH THE MENTALLY ILL,
4 APTITUDE FOR WORKING WITH THE MENTALLY ILL, AND ATTRIBUTES TO
5 EVALUATE THE EFFECTIVENESS OF BOTH THE INDIVIDUAL SHERIFF
6 PERSONNEL AND DEPARTMENT AS A WHOLE. WE WOULD MOVE THAT THE
7 BOARD DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO WORK WITH THE SHERIFF AND TO REPORT
8 BACK DURING FINAL BUDGET IN JUNE WITH THE HIRING RECRUITMENT
9 PLAN WHICH INCLUDES STRATEGIES FOR ATTRACTING QUALIFIED,
10 DIVERSE APPLICANTS FOR DEPUTY SHERIFF, CUSTODY ASSISTANCE
11 ANALYSIS OF THE DEPARTMENT, EXISTING AND PROJECTED NEEDS FOR
12 FULFILLING THE RECRUITMENT HIRING GOALS AND CORRESPONDING
13 FUNDING RECOMMENDATIONS." AND I WILL CALL UPON SUPERVISOR
14 SOLIS?

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I JUST WANT TO THANK YOU FOR
17 ALLOWING ME TO WORK WITH YOU ON THIS PARTICULAR MOTION. I
18 THINK THAT IT HITS A HIGH NOTE FOR US TODAY BECAUSE OF THE
19 TREMENDOUS CHALLENGES THAT WE'RE FACING IN THE COUNTY. AND
20 I'VE ALWAYS BEEN AN ADVOCATE FOR SEEING THAT WE HAVE THE MOST
21 BROAD REPRESENTATION THROUGHOUT OUR COUNTY BUT MORE
22 IMPORTANTLY IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, ESPECIALLY WITH THE
23 LARGE DEMOGRAPHIC CHANGES THAT WE FACE: LANGUAGES. I KNOW I
24 DON'T HAVE TO TELL YOU THAT, CHIEF, SHERIFF, BECAUSE YOU KNOW
25 EXACTLY WHAT I'M TALKING ABOUT. SO WE ARE LOOKING FORWARD TO

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1 WORKING WITH YOU ON THIS AND TO HELP HAVE A ROBUST POOL OF
2 APPLICANTS, PARTICULARLY UNDERREPRESENTED GROUPS AND
3 PARTICULARLY WOMEN AND INDIVIDUALS THAT MIGHT FIND THAT
4 FINDING A JOB WITH THE SHERIFF IS AN HONORABLE PLACE TO BE. SO
5 I LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH YOU AND WITH THIS BOARD. THANK
6 YOU. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISORS DO YOU HAVE COMMENTS OR
9 COMMENTS FOR THE SHERIFFS ON THIS ITEM? SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL:** YES, THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I SUPPORT THIS MOTION
12 AND WANTED TO ECHO SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S COMMENTS. WE TALK A LOT
13 ABOUT DIVERSITY AND OUTREACH. AND I AM NOT ONLY BUT
14 PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN WOMEN KNOWING THAT THERE ARE
15 CAREERS THAT THEY COULD HAVE IN THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. I
16 THINK IF I MAY SAY SO SINCE ASSISTANT SHERIFF MCDONALD HAS
17 JOINED US, A LOT OF GOOD STUFF HAS HAPPENED. IT'S NOT PROBABLY
18 ONLY BECAUSE SHE'S A WOMAN, BUT SHE BRINGS AN IMPORTANT
19 DIVERSITY TO THE SENIOR STAFF IN YOUR DEPARTMENT. AND I THINK
20 THAT IT'S AN AREA THAT WE FOUND PARTICULARLY DIFFICULT IN
21 OUTREACH BECAUSE YOU CAN SAY WELL WE'LL ADVERTISE IN THE
22 NEIGHBORHOOD PAPERS, OR WE'LL ADVERTISE THROUGH ORGANIZATIONS.
23 IT'S NOT BEEN THAT SIMPLE, REALLY, TO ADVERTISE TO WOMEN ALL
24 OVER THE COUNTY. SO I WOULD LIKE TO SEE IN THAT PLAN, IF I
25 MAY, SOME IDEAS. AND OF COURSE WE'RE ALL VERY, VERY HAPPY TO

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1 HELP BECAUSE WE REPRESENT TOGETHER THE WHOLE COUNTY. AND KNOW
2 IT VERY WELL AND HAVE GONE THROUGH THIS BEFORE IN OTHER AREAS.
3 SO ANYTHING WE CAN DO TO HELP. THANK YOU. BUT I THINK IT'S AN
4 IMPORTANT PART.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE?

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** I WOULD JUST ADD OBVIOUSLY THE OUTREACH IS
9 EXTREMELY IMPORTANT AND I WOULD ALSO THANK YOU. YOU'RE ALWAYS
10 THERE FOR JOB FAIRS OR HEALTH FAIRS, WHEREVER WE HAVE AN
11 OPPORTUNITY TO MOVE INTO THE VARIOUS SEGMENTS OF OUR
12 COMMUNITIES. THOSE THAT MIGHT NOT KNOW ABOUT ACCESS TO BE ABLE
13 TO ACCESS THOSE. JUST THAT CAUTIONARY MOVE, AND YOU GUYS KNOW
14 BETTER THAN ANYONE IS THAT IN OUR RUSH TO HIRE A WHILE BACK,
15 WE HAD SOME SERIOUS ISSUES. AND SO IT'S ALWAYS STILL IMPORTANT
16 NOT TO WAIVER ON BACKGROUND CHECKS AND ALL THE OTHER
17 PROCESSES, BUT TO EXPAND THE OUTREACH BUT ALSO AT THE END OF
18 THE DAY MAKE SURE THAT WE DO A THOROUGH JOB IN ANALYZING THAT
19 SO THAT WE DON'T END UP WITH THE LAWSUITS DOWN THE ROAD. BUT
20 WE'RE THERE TO HELP IN ANY WAY WE CAN IN OUR DISTRICTS.

21

22 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** MR. MAYOR AND MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IF
23 I COULD, I PREPARED SOME COMMENTS AND I THINK JUST TO GIVE YOU
24 BACK- GROUND ON WHERE WE ARE WITH THE DEPARTMENT RELATIVE TO
25 THE BUDGET WOULD BE HELPFUL.

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1
2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SURE.

3
4 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** THANK YOU. WE STARTED WITH THE
5 QUESTIONS, BUT I'M ABSOLUTELY PLEASED TO BE HERE TO
6 ENTHUSIASTICALLY SUPPORT THE PROPOSED COUNTY'S BUDGET AND TO
7 THANK YOU AND THE C.E.O. FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP AND YOUR TRUST.
8 THIS SMART AND STRATEGIC BUDGET PROPOSAL WILL PROVIDE NEEDED
9 RESOURCE THAT WILL SUPPORT ONGOING EFFORTS BY MY DEPARTMENT TO
10 ENSURE THE COMPASSIONATE AND CONSTITUTIONAL TREATMENT OF THOSE
11 IN OUR JAILS. IT ALSO REPRESENTS OUR JOINT INVESTMENT IN A
12 SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT THAT'S DEEPLY COMMITTED TO THE SAFETY OF
13 ALL RESIDENTS IN OUR DIVERSE AND MULTIETHNIC COMMUNITY. IT'S
14 AN INVESTMENT IN THE DEPARTMENT THAT I KNOW CAN AND SHOULD BE
15 SECOND TO NONE. AS YOU KNOW, I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY AND
16 PRIVILEGE TO SERVE AS A MEMBER OF THE CITIZENS COMMISSION ON
17 JAIL VIOLENCE. I SAW FIRSTHAND THE CHALLENGES FACING THE
18 CUSTODY DIVISION IN PARTICULAR AND THE L.A.S.D. AS A WHOLE.
19 WHILE SIGNIFICANT IMPROVEMENTS HAVE BEEN MADE IN OUR COUNTY'S
20 JAIL SINCE THE COMMISSION'S REPORT CAME OUT IN 2012, PROGRESS
21 THAT IS DUE IN NO SMALL PART TO THE COMMITMENT BY THIS BOARD
22 TO INVEST IN IMPLEMENTATION OF THE C.C.J.V. RECOMMENDATIONS,
23 WE CAN ALL AGREE THAT MORE NEEDS TO BE DONE. AND WE TRULY HAVE
24 COME A LONG WAY. THIS BUDGET WILL ENABLE US TO CONTINUE OUR
25 MOVE FORWARD. IT'LL AFFORD US CRITICAL RESOURCES TO ADDRESS

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1 STAFFING, TRAINING AND SUPERVISION ISSUES, AND IT WILL ALSO
2 ENABLE US TO GRAPPLE WITH THE PARTICULAR CHALLENGES ASSOCIATED
3 WITH THE LARGE POPULATION OF INDIVIDUALS IN OUR JAILS WHO
4 SUFFER FROM MENTAL ILLNESS. THE PROPOSED FUNDINGS WILL ALLOW
5 US TO INVEST IN VITALLY NEEDED AREAS, INCLUDING TRAINING FOR
6 STAFF ON STRATEGIES TO ADDRESS THE CHALLENGES OF MENTALLY ILL
7 INMATES, INCLUDING DE-ESCALATION TECHNIQUES, CRITICAL INCIDENT
8 TRAINING AND OTHER BEST PRACTICES, THE ABILITY TO MONITOR AND
9 ASSESS MENTALLY ILL INMATES WHO MAY BE IN DISTRESS AND IN NEED
10 OF TREATMENT AND ATTENTION, TO ENHANCED SECURITY CHECKS ON
11 INMATES, INCREASING STAFFING AND HIGH RISK AREAS IN OUR JAIL
12 THAT HAVE BEEN CHRONICALLY UNDERSTAFFED AND MORE RIGOROUS AND
13 MORE RIGOROUS AND TIMELY INVESTIGATIONS OF INMATE COMPLAINTS.
14 WE'RE ALSO BUILDING QUALITY ASSURANCES WITH THE CREATION OF
15 THE CUSTODY COMPLIANCE AND SUSTAINABILITY BUREAU TO OVERSEE,
16 MONITOR AND IDENTIFY OPERATIONS, CHANGES NEEDED TO IMPROVE THE
17 QUALITY OF MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND ENSURE FULL COMPLIANCE
18 WITH LEGAL MANDATES, TO EXPAND THE CURRENT JAIL MENTAL HEALTH
19 TEAMS, JMHT, AND TO SUPPORT A CRITICAL INCIDENT REVIEW UNIT TO
20 MAKE SURE WE KEEP A CLOSE WATCH ON AND DO ANALYSIS OF
21 TROUBLING INCIDENTS WHEN THEY ARISE. REST ASSURED THAT I'M
22 DEEPLY COMMITTED TO NOT SIMPLY MEETING THE MANDATES ARISING
23 FROM CURRENT LITIGATION BUT ALSO MORE IMPORTANTLY TO ENSURING
24 THAT WE CONTINUE TO MOVE FORWARD IN DEVELOPING AND OPERATING A
25 HUMANE, SAFE AND CONSTITUTIONAL JAIL SYSTEM. WE OWE IT TO THE

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1 INDIVIDUALS IN OUR CUSTODY WHO WILL EVENTUALLY RETURN TO OUR
2 COMMUNITIES AND WE ALSO OWE IT TO THE MEN AND WOMEN WHO EVERY
3 DAY REPORT TO WORK IN THESE CHALLENGING FACILITIES. LET ME
4 ALSO EXPRESS MY GRATITUDE FOR YOUR WILLINGNESS TO INVEST IN
5 NEW STRATEGIES THAT MIGHT ENABLE OUR COUNTY TO DEVELOP BETTER
6 APPROACHES TO THAT CAN DIVERT INDIVIDUALS SUFFERING FROM
7 MENTAL ILLNESS FROM OUR OVERCROWDED JAIL AND JUSTICE SYSTEM.
8 TOO MANY BEDS IN OUR JAILS ARE OCCUPIED BY INDIVIDUALS WHO
9 SIMPLY NEED HELP, SUPPORT AND TREATMENT. FINDING A NEW
10 PARADIGM FOR THESE INDIVIDUALS IS NOT SIMPLY THE RIGHT THING
11 TO DO BUT ALSO THE FISCALLY SOUND APPROACH. AND IN THE LONG
12 RUN OUR COMMUNITIES WILL BE SAFELY AS WE CREATE A BETTER
13 PATHWAY FOR THOSE WHO TOO OFTEN CYCLE IN AND OUT OF OUR
14 JUSTICE SYSTEM. WE SIMPLY CANNOT CONTINUE TO USE INCARCERATION
15 AS A CURE FOR MENTAL ILLNESS. I'M COMMITTED TO CONTINUE TO
16 WORK WITH, OUR DISTRICT ATTORNEY AND THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
17 HEALTH AS WE SEEK TO DEVELOP A NEW WAY OF ADDRESSING MENTAL
18 ILLNESS THAT RELIES LESS ON JAIL BEDS AND MORE ON COMMUNITY
19 TREATMENT AND WHEREVER POSSIBLE SAFE DIVERSION MODELS. AND I'M
20 ALSO COMMITTED TO CONTINUE TO ADVOCATE FOR THE RESOURCES TO
21 FULLY TRAIN ALL MEMBERS OF MY DEPARTMENT ON CRISIS
22 INTERVENTION STRATEGIES AND TO BRING TO SCALE
23 INTERDISCIPLINARY MET TEAMS COUNTYWIDE. THESE ARE SETTLED BEST
24 PRACTICES THAT SHOULD BE THE RULE AND NOT THE EXCEPTION IN OUR
25 COUNTY. WE TOUCHED ON HIRING AND RECRUITING, BUT I'D ALSO LIKE

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1 TO THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT OF OUR DEPARTMENT'S PLANNED,
2 PROACTIVE RECRUITMENT EFFORTS. WE'RE FULLY COMMITTED TO HIRING
3 AND TRAINING THE BEST OF THE BEST THE EVEN AS WE SEEK TO KEEP
4 UP WITH THE ATTRITION OF SEASONED PERSONNEL. LET ME BE CLEAR.
5 AS WE TOUCHED ON, WE WILL NOT COMPROMISE OUR HIRING AND
6 TRAINING STANDARDS, I'D RATHER WORK SHORT STAFFED THAN HIRE
7 THE WRONG PEOPLE FOR OUR ORGANIZATION. ALSO ON OUR EMERGENCY
8 VEHICLE OPERATIONS CENTER, TRAINING AND PREPARING OUR DEPUTIES
9 FOR THE DANGERS OF THE JOB WILL CONTINUE TO BE ONE OF MY TOP
10 PRIORITIES. SADLY THE FACT REMAINS THAT VEHICLE ACCIDENTS ON
11 THE JOB KILL MORE DEPUTIES THAN ANY OTHER REASON. EVERY DAY
12 DEPUTIES FACE THE RISK OF HIGH SPEED PURSUIT IN UNPREDICTABLE
13 CIRCUMSTANCES. YOUR SUPPORT OF THE EMERGENCY VEHICLE
14 OPERATIONS CENTER WILL SIMPLY PUT HELP SAVE THE LIVES OF OUR
15 DEPARTMENT'S MEMBERS. THIS FACILITY WILL ALSO FILL A CRITICAL
16 NEED AT A TIME WHEN OUR IN SERVICE TRAINING HAS EXCEEDED THE
17 LIMITED SPACE ALLOCATED FOR THIS FUNCTION. THIS INVESTMENT
18 WILL ENHANCE OUR PERSONNEL SAFETY, ADDRESS KEY IN SERVICE
19 TRAINING NEEDS AND SERVE AS AN ESSENTIAL RISK REDUCTION TOOL
20 FOR OUR ENTIRE COUNTY. FINALLY, I APPRECIATE YOUR SUPPORT FOR
21 INCREASED STAFFING FOR THE UNINCORPORATED AREAS, THE 3 MILLION
22 L.A. COUNTY RESIDENTS CALL HOME. THIS PROPOSED BUDGET WILL
23 ALLOW US TO MAINTAIN IN THE COMING FISCAL YEAR IMPORTANT AND
24 NECESSARY POSITIONS ADDED THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. WE ALL HAVE
25 COMMON GOALS: TO PROVIDE FOR THE COMMUNITIES WE SERVE, TO KEEP

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1 OUR STREETS AND NEIGHBORHOODS SAFE, AND TO ENSURE THAT THOSE
2 WHO END UP IN OUR JUSTICE SYSTEM ARE HUMANELY AND SAFELY
3 HOUSED. THIS IS A NEW ERA AND UNPRECEDENTED OPPORTUNITY FOR US
4 TO WORK TOGETHER IN FURTHERING THOSE OBJECTIVES. I WELCOME
5 THIS CHANCE TO PARTNER WITH ALL OF YOU AS WE SEEK TO MOVE
6 BEYOND PAST PROBLEMS, INVEST IN LASTING SOLUTIONS AND BE PART
7 OF THE BRIGHT FUTURE OF OUR SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT AND OUR
8 ENTIRE COUNTY. SO I THANK YOU ON BEHALF OF THE MEN AND WOMEN
9 OF THE L.A. COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT FOR YOUR PARTNERSHIP
10 AND FOR YOUR SUPPORT AS WE MOVE FORWARD. THANK YOU ALL.

11
12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SHERIFF. AND WE WILL MOVE
13 FORWARD WHEN WE ADOPT THIS RESPONSIBLE BUDGET.

14
15 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** THANK YOU, MAYOR. THANK YOU ALL.

16
17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'LL PUT ALL THE AMENDMENTS WE PUT IN
18 WILL BE ON THE TABLE WHEN WE DO THE BUDGET. QUESTIONS FOR THE
19 C.E.O. RELATIVE TO OUR UNFUNDED LIABILITY FOR BOTH PENSIONS
20 AND RETIREE HEALTH TOTAL APPROXIMATELY \$38.1 BILLION. RETIREE
21 HEALTH IS 26.9 BILLION. PENSION LIABILITY IS 11.2 BILLION.
22 WHAT IS THE COUNTY'S LONG TERM PLAN IN ADDRESSING BOTH
23 UNFUNDED PENSION AND RETIREE HEALTH COSTS?

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1 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** MR. MAYOR, WITH RESPECT TO THE
2 PENSION FUND, THE PENSION FUND, AS YOU INDICATED, IS ABOUT \$11
3 BILLION THAT WE HAVE UNFUNDED. AND AGAIN IN DECEMBER OF THIS
4 YEAR, THAT ITEM RIGHT NOW, WHICH IS SHOWN ON OUR FINANCIALS AS
5 A FOOTNOTE, WILL MOVE TO AN UNFUNDED LIABILITY. BUT WITHIN
6 THAT PENSION FUND, THERE IS ALREADY PLAN BY LACERA TO CONTINUE
7 THE ONGOING FUNDING OF THAT. I THINK REALLY THE HEART OF THE
8 QUESTION IS THE RETIREE HEALTH AND THE FUNDING FOR THAT. AND
9 AT THIS POINT IN TIME, THE BOARD DOES NOT HAVE A POLICY ON IT
10 BUT I BELIEVE BETWEEN NOW AND THROUGH SUPPLEMENTAL WE SHOULD
11 BE WORKING TOGETHER ALONGSIDE OUR LABOR PARTNERS TO FIGURE OUT
12 WHAT OUR STRATEGY IS TO FUND OR TO BEGIN FUNDING THIS UNFUNDED
13 LIABILITY.

14
15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IN 2013 WE HAD DEPOSITED \$449 MILLION
16 IN THE TRUST FUND TO PAY DOWN THE UNFUNDED RETIRED HEALTH
17 LIABILITY. WHAT OTHER FUNDS HAD BEEN DEPOSITED? ARE YOU AWARE?

18
19 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** I AM NOT AWARE OF ANY SINCE THAT
20 TIME. I THINK THAT THE BUDGETS FROM THAT POINT IN TIME HAVE
21 REALLY BEEN TO ADDRESS THE RECESSION AND TO ENSURE THAT THERE
22 WEREN'T ANY MAJOR LAYOFFS OR FURLOUGHS OR CUTS IN SERVICES. SO
23 I'M NOT AWARE OF ANY, BUT I THINK MOVING FORWARD WE DO NEED TO
24 FIND SOME STRATEGIES TO FUND IT.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PERHAPS WE COULD AS PART OF THE MOTION
2 DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO WORK WITH THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO
3 REPORT BACK IN 30 DAYS WITH SOME PROPOSALS ON DEALING WITH THE
4 UNFUNDED LIABILITIES.

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6 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** ABSOLUTELY. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THEN FOR THE -- ON FOSTER
9 CHILDREN, I HAVE A MOTION WITH SUPERVISOR KUEHL I'LL READ IN
10 AND THEN WE'LL TAKE -- ADDRESS THIS ISSUE. "CHILDREN IN FOSTER
11 CARE SUFFER FROM SIGNIFICANT MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES AT A MUCH
12 HIGHER RATE THAN THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE. TO ADDRESS THIS
13 ISSUE, THE COUNTY HAS LAUNCHED NEW SERVICES IN 1998 TO INCLUDE
14 FAMILY MEMBERS AS EXPERTS ON THE NEEDS OF THEIR OWN FAMILIES
15 AND HELP ACKNOWLEDGE EACH FAMILY'S PARTICULAR STRENGTHS AND
16 IDENTIFY THEIR NEEDS. THIS WAY OF SERVICE DELIVERY BECAME
17 KNOWN AS WRAP-AROUND, INTENDED FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH WHO ARE
18 IN OR AT RISK OF BEING PLACED IN A HIGH LEVEL GROUP CARE HOME.
19 THE INCREASED SUPPORT TO THESE CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILIES AND
20 THEIR HOMES AND THEIR OWN COMMUNITIES WAS INTENDED TO REDUCE
21 GROUP HOME CARE FOR OUR MOST VULNERABLE POPULATION. WRAP-
22 AROUND SERVICES PROVIDED FAMILY-CENTERED HOME-BASED SERVICES
23 TO CHILDREN WITH MULTIPLE, COMPLEX AND ENDURING MENTAL HEALTH
24 AND BEHAVIORAL NEEDS. THE COUNTY CONTRACTS WITH PRIVATE
25 AGENCIES TO DELIVER THESE INTENSIVE AND COMPREHENSIVE SERVICES

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1 IN OUR LOCAL COMMUNITIES. THE WRAP-AROUND CONTRACTS HAVE
2 BECOME IMPORTANT TO THE COUNTY IN HELPING TO SERVE CHILDREN
3 WITH THESE MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS AS EVIDENCED BY THE COUNTY'S
4 REQUIRED PARTICIPATION IN THE KATY A. SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT
5 WHICH WAS THE RESULT OF A LAWSUIT AGAINST THE COUNTY AND THE
6 STATE OF CALIFORNIA FOR ITS SERVICING OF THIS POPULATION OF
7 FOSTER YOUTH AND MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES. TODAY'S ITEM IS A
8 RECOMMENDATION TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH 49 WRAP-AROUND
9 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICE PROVIDERS WHO HAVE ALREADY BEGUN THE
10 PROCESS OF TRANSITIONING THEIR PROGRAM TO MORE CLINICALLY-
11 BASED MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, WHICH ARE REQUIRED TO BE CLAIMED
12 AGAINST E.P.S.D.T. BILLING. AND TO BETTER SERVE THE NEEDS OF
13 THE POPULATION AND TO HELP THE COUNTY MOVE TOWARD A MORE
14 INTEGRATED SERVICE DELIVERY WHILE EXPANDING THE ROLE OF
15 CLINICAL AND MENTAL HEALTH THERAPIES, THE CONTRACT SHOULD
16 NATURALLY TRANSITION TO THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH FROM
17 THE DEPARTMENT OF FAMILY HEALTH, CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES.
18 TO ALIGN THE NEW WRAP-AROUND CONTRACTS WITH UPCOMING FISCAL
19 YEAR, THE CONTRACT MUST BE EXTENDED TO 14 MONTHS RATHER THAN
20 12 MONTHS FROM MAY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016. SUPPORTING
21 THE EXPANSION OF WRAP-AROUND CLINICS FOCUSES BY PROGRESSIVELY
22 INCREASING THE RATIO OF E.P.S.D.T., CLINICAL SERVICES AS
23 COMPARED TO NON-E.P.S.D.T. SERVICES REQUIRES A TRANSFER, A
24 WRAPAROUND PROGRAM AND CONTRACT ADMINISTRATION FROM THE
25 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES THROUGH THE

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1 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH DURING THE FIRST 14-MONTH
2 CONTRACT. WE THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE
3 DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, PROBATION AND
4 MENTAL HEALTH TO IMMEDIATELY PROCEED WITH THE EFFICIENT
5 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE NEW WRAP-AROUND SERVICES CONTRACT TO
6 ENSURE CONTINUITY OF CARE TO THE HIGH NEED CHILDREN AND YOUTH
7 OF OUR COUNTY WITH AN INITIAL CONTRACT TERM OF 14 MONTHS
8 SPANNING FROM MAY 1, 2015 THROUGH JUNE 30, 2016, WITH AN
9 OPTION TO EXTEND EACH CONTRACT FOR UP TO FOUR ADDITIONAL
10 YEARS. DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO, IN COLLABORATION WITH D.C.F.S.,
11 D.M.H. AND PROBATION TO CONDUCT A REVIEW OF THE WRAP-AROUND
12 PROGRAM NO LATER THAN 12 MONTHS FOLLOWING THE INITIATION OF
13 CONTRACTS, REVIEW SUBMITTED AS REPORT IN A BOARD MEMO SHOULD
14 INCLUDE THE ANALYSIS OF THE CASE RATES TO MEDI-CAL RATIO, THE
15 ABILITY OF PROVIDERS TO MEET THE ENROLLMENT EXPANSION GOALS
16 IDENTIFIED BY THE COUNTY, THE ABILITY OF PROVIDERS TO ACHIEVE
17 SUCCESSFUL OUTCOMES FOR THE HIGH NEEDS CHILDREN AND YOUTH
18 RECEIVING WRAP-AROUND SERVICES, AND DIRECT THE C.E.O. TO THE
19 WORK WITH THE DIRECTORS OF D.C.F.S., D.M.H. TO TAKE THE
20 ACTIONS NECESSARY TO ACHIEVE OPTIMAL ARRANGEMENTS FOR
21 ADMINISTRATIVE PROGRAMMATIC OVERSIGHT OF THE WRAP-AROUND
22 INCLUDING AN ASSESSMENT OF ANY NEEDED RESOURCES AND
23 TRANSITION. THE WRAP-AROUND PROGRAM AND CONTRACT
24 ADMINISTRATION OF THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY

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1 SERVICES TO DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH NO LATER THAN JUNE 30,
2 2016." SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

3

4 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR I BELIEVE WE PROBABLY HAVE TO
5 PUT OFF A VOTE ON ITEM 20 --

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7 **SUP. KNABE:** THIS RELATES TO ITEM 20, IS THAT CORRECT?

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THIS RELATES TO ITEM 20.

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL:** SORRY, WE HAVE SO MANY PAPERS ON OUR DESK,
12 SOMETIMES REACHING FOR THE MOTIONS THAT WE ARE PRESENTING, I
13 DID THIS LAST WEEK AND MY STAFF AS YOU CAN SEE THEY ALL SIT
14 THERE READY TO GO: WAIT! SO THIS IS TO BE CLEAR. THIS IS ITEM
15 20. OBVIOUSLY I SUPPORT IT, I'M THE COSPONSOR OF THE MOTION. I
16 BELIEVE IT'S EXTREMELY IMPORTANT TO LOOK AT THIS TRANSITION.
17 BUT I KNOW IT'S ITEM 50 THAT'S IN FRONT OF US NOW TO DISCUSS
18 THE BUDGET. THIS IS NOT REALLY AN AMENDMENT TO THE BUDGET. SO
19 IF WE COULD, PERHAPS WE TABLE THIS.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY.

22

23 **SUP. KUEHL:** AND THEN BRING IT BACK UP IN ITS ORDER AND WE
24 PROBABLY DON'T HAVE TO READ IT ALL OVER AGAIN.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NO.

2

3 **SUP. KUEHL:** BUT I'LL SAY A FEW WORDS IN SUPPORT AND THEN
4 HOPEFULLY IT WILL GET SUPPORTED. THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU. AND THEN DO WE
7 HAVE THE ARTS, LAURA ZUCKER HERE?

8

9 **INTERIM C.E.O. HAMAI:** SHE'S COMING, MR. MAYOR.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GOOD MORNING.

12

13 **LAURA ZUCKER:** GOOD MORNING.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE QUESTION IS: WHAT IS THE
16 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ORGANIZATION GRANTS, ART INTERNSHIPS AND
17 COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANTS?

18

19 **LAURA ZUCKER:** THE ORGANIZATIONAL GRANT PROGRAM FUNDS 380 ARTS
20 ORGANIZATIONS A YEAR. THAT MEANS THEIR MISSION IS ARTS. IT'S A
21 \$4.5 MILLION PROGRAM. THE ARTS INTERNSHIP PROGRAM FUNDS
22 APPROXIMATELY 125 JOBS FOR UNDERGRADUATES WORKING IN ARTS
23 ORGANIZATIONS OVER THE COURSE OF THE SUMMER. THE PROPOSED
24 COMMUNITY IMPACT GRANT PROGRAM WOULD FUND EXEMPLARY ARTS

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1 PROGRAMS IN NON-ARTS ORGANIZATIONS, SUCH AS SOCIAL SERVICE AND
2 HEALTH ORGANIZATIONS.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WHILE YOUR NET COUNTY COST BUDGET HAS
5 STEADILY INCREASED SINCE 2008, YOUR GRANT REVENUE HAS BEEN UP
6 AND DOWN. WHAT EFFORTS ARE BEING MADE TO RAISE FUNDS FROM
7 SOURCES OTHER THAN THE COUNTY'S GENERAL FUND?

8

9 **LAURA ZUCKER:** I THINK ACTUALLY, MR. MAYOR, THAT RELATIVE TO
10 THE SIZE OF OUR NET COUNTY COST, WE ACTUALLY PROBABLY RAISE
11 MORE IN PERCENTAGE OF EXTERNAL REVENUE WITH PRIVATE
12 PARTNERSHIPS THAN MOST, IF NOT ALL, OTHER COUNTY DEPARTMENTS.
13 AND SOME OF THAT REVENUE DOESN'T ACTUALLY SHOW UP IN THE
14 BUDGET BOOK BECAUSE, FOR INSTANCE, ALL OF THE CONTRIBUTED
15 REVENUE TO THE FORD AMPHITHEATRE GOES TO ITS 501C3 SUPPORT
16 ORGANIZATION.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOUR EFFORTS TO RAISE FUNDS FROM
19 OUTSIDE OF THE COUNTY GENERAL FUND SUCH AS CROWDFUNDING OR
20 SEEKING GRANTS FROM MANY OF THE LARGE ARTS BENEFACTORS IN
21 L.A., IN THE PAST THE BOARD HAD REQUESTED TO WORK ON EXPANDING
22 FUNDRAISING, INCLUDING CREATING A NONPROFIT 501 (C) 3 SIMILAR
23 TO WHAT OCCURS IN NEW YORK'S FOUNDATION FOR THE ARTS. AND WHAT
24 HAS BEEN THE PROGRESS IN DEVELOPING THOSE ADDITIONAL

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1 FUNDRAISING CAPACITIES, DEVELOPING THAT 501 PATTERN AFTER NEW
2 YORK'S?

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4 **LAURA ZUCKER:** WELL, WE HAVE A 501 (C) 3 WHICH IS THE FORD
5 THEATER FOUNDATION. AND THAT BOARD DID CONSIDER INCREASING ITS
6 SCOPE TO INCLUDE ALL ARTS COMMISSION PROGRAMS. BUT IN ITS
7 WISDOM DECIDED NOT TO. WE ALSO HAVE A POOLED FUND THAT
8 SUPPORTS ARTS EDUCATION THAT HAS GROWN TREMENDOUSLY OVER THE
9 PAST FEW YEARS AND INCLUDES MOST OF THE MAJOR FUNDERS IN LOS
10 ANGELES, FUNDING ARTS EDUCATION ACTIVITIES. IT'S MADE UP OF 24
11 FUNDERS. WE GAVE THOSE FUNDERS AN OPTION OF CREATING A 501 (C)
12 3. AND THEY FELT THAT THE ADDITIONAL ADMINISTRATIVE COSTS OF
13 OPERATING THE NONPROFIT WOULD NOT SUBSTANTIALLY INCREASE THEIR
14 COMMITMENT TO THE PROGRAM SINCE THEY FELT COMFORTABLE BOTH
15 FUNDING THE COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION DIRECTLY. AND WHEN THEY
16 NEEDED A FISCAL RECEIVER AND A NONPROFIT, THOSE FUNDS DO GO
17 THROUGH THE FORD THEATER FOUNDATION. SO WE FELT WE FOUND A
18 REALLY GOOD SOLUTION THAT DID NOT INCREASE OVERHEAD.

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20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. ANY QUESTIONS?

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22 **SUP. KNABE:** NOT IN REGARDS TO THIS ISSUE.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I JUST HAVE TWO MORE AMENDMENTS ON
25 THIS ITEM.

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2 **SUP. SOLIS:** IF THIS IS APPROPRIATE, I'D LIKE TO THANK YOU,
3 LAURA, FOR COMING HERE. LAURA ZUCKER. WE'VE HAD AN EXTENSIVE
4 CONVERSATION OVER THE LAST FEW WEEKS, AND I, TOO, HAD CONCERNS
5 THAT ARE EXPRESSED BY THE MAYOR AND OTHER SUPERVISORS
6 REGARDING HOW FUNDS ARE EXPENDED, IN PARTICULAR TO LOW INCOME
7 COMMUNITIES AND DIVERSE COMMUNITIES. AND WHAT I HAVE LEARNED
8 FROM OUR CONVERSATION IS THAT THERE ACTUALLY NEEDS TO BE A
9 GREATER EMPHASIS PLACED ON NONTRADITIONAL ENTITIES THAT MIGHT
10 BE ABLE TO BE RECIPIENTS OF THE SPECIAL PROGRAM THAT WILL
11 ALLOW FOR GRANTS TO BE MADE AVAILABLE TO COMMUNITY-BASED
12 ORGANIZATIONS THAT DON'T TRADITIONALLY APPLY FOR GRANTS, THAT
13 TALK ABOUT ART OR BRING ART, ARTISTIC CREATIVITY TO OUR
14 COMMUNITIES. SO I'M PREPARED TO READ IN A MOTION, IF IT'S
15 APPROPRIATE RIGHT NOW. AND THIS WOULD BE TO ADDRESS THE
16 COMMUNITY IMPACT ART GRANTS. AND I AM CONCERNED BECAUSE I
17 THINK THAT IT'S REALLY IMPORTANT FOR US TO BE ABLE TO HELP
18 SEED COMMUNITIES, PARTICULARLY IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. I KNOW
19 THAT WE TYPICALLY USE WORDS LIKE "WE'RE PARK-STARVED". WELL
20 WE'RE ART-STARVED IN SOME OF MY DISTRICTS. WHERE IT'S JUST NOT
21 AVAILABLE. AND WHERE PEOPLE THAT LIVE OUT IN THE SAN GABRIEL
22 VALLEY OR SPAR OFFICE POMONA, FOR EXAMPLE, DON'T HAVE THE
23 LUXURY OF COMING DOWN HERE OR GOING TO ANY OF OUR UNIQUE
24 FACILITIES OR EVEN HAVING THAT ARTISTIC AVAILABILITY OF ART
25 AND ARTISTS. SO I THINK THIS AT LEAST WOULD BE A FIRST STEP.

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1 AND I'VE TALKED TO SOME OF MY COLLEAGUES ABOUT THIS. AND I
2 THINK IT'S IMPORTANT TO NOTE WHAT THE MOTION WILL LOOK AT. SO
3 IF I CAN I'LL READ THIS IN. BEAR WITH ME. "THE LOS ANGELES
4 COUNTY ARTS COMMISSION HAS BEEN FUNDING HIGH QUALITY ARTS
5 PROGRAMS FOR OVER 65 YEARS BASED ON THE ISSUANCE OF GRANTS
6 THROUGH THE TRADITIONAL MODEL OF PROVIDING FUNDS DIRECTLY TO
7 ARTS SPECIFIC ORGANIZATIONS. IN SOME INSTANCES IT'S BEEN
8 DIFFICULT FOR COUNTY RESIDENTS AND COMMUNITIES WITHOUT
9 ESTABLISHED ARTS ORGANIZATIONS TO GAIN EXPOSURE TO ARTS
10 COMMISSION FUNDED PROGRAMS. THE NATIONAL ENDOWMENT OF THE ARTS
11 HAS COMMITTED ABOUT \$50,000 OF SEED FUNDING TO CREATE A NEW
12 COMMUNITY IMPACT ARTS GRANTS PROGRAM WHICH AIMS TO BREAK THE
13 TRADITIONAL ARTS FUNDING MODEL BY PROVIDING FUNDS FOR ARTS
14 PROJECTS IN NON-ARTS ORGANIZATIONS SUCH AS LIBRARIES, PARKS,
15 JUVENILE HALL FACILITIES, PROBATION CAMPS, INSTITUTIONS OF
16 HIGHER EDUCATION, COMMUNITY COLLEGES. APPLICANTS TO THE
17 PROGRAM WOULD BE ABLE TO REQUEST BETWEEN \$1,000 AND \$20,000 TO
18 FUND A SPECIFIC ARTS PROJECT. AND THE GRANTEEES WOULD BE
19 REQUIRED TO PROVIDE A MATCHING CASH CONTRIBUTION. DURING
20 FISCAL YEAR 2015 AND '16, RECOMMENDED BUDGET DEVELOPMENT
21 PROCESS, THE ARTS COMMISSION REQUESTED COUNTY FUNDING TO
22 CREATE A NEW COMMUNITY IMPACT ARTS PROGRAM." WE SUPPORT
23 ESTABLISHING THE PROGRAM. AND WE WOULD LIKE TO BE CERTAIN THAT
24 IT EFFECTIVELY REACHES LOS ANGELES COUNTY RESIDENTS WHO DO
25 NOT, AND I REPEAT DO NOT TYPICALLY RECEIVE EXPOSURE OR HAVE

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1 ACCESS TO THE ARTS THAT WILL TRULY HAVE AN IMPACT AS WAS
2 ENVISIONED. THEREFORE, I MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,
3 ONE, DIRECT THE INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER TO IDENTIFY
4 FUNDING IN FISCAL YEAR 2015-16, FINAL CHANGES BUDGET, TO
5 CREATE A THREE-YEAR PILOT PROJECT FOR THE COMMUNITY IMPACT
6 ARTS GRANTS PROGRAM AT THE ARTS COMMISSION TO BE FUNDED WITH
7 \$500,000 IN ONE-TIME FUNDS PER YEAR FOR THREE YEARS. TWO,
8 DIRECT THE INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, IN CONSULTATION
9 WITH THE ARTS COMMISSION AND THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER, TO REVIEW
10 EXISTING ARTS COMMISSION GRANT PROGRAMS AND TO SUBMIT A REPORT
11 WITHIN 60 DAYS THAT INCLUDES A THREE-YEAR ANALYSIS OF GRANTS,
12 PROJECTS AND GRANTEEES, INCLUDING LOCATION AND DEMOGRAPHICS.
13 AND, THIRDLY, DIRECT THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE ARTS
14 COMMISSION TO PROVIDE AN ANNUAL REPORT ON THE COMMUNITY IMPACT
15 ARTS GRANTS PROJECT PILOT PROJECT WHICH SHOULD INCLUDE
16 INFORMATION ON GRANTS, PROJECTS AND GRANTEEES INCLUDING
17 LOCATIONS AND DEMOGRAPHICS."

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19 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR SOLIS,
20 FOR DOING THIS. I THINK WE BOTH ACTUALLY PROBABLY ALL FIVE
21 RECOGNIZE WHAT AN INCREDIBLY IMPORTANT PART THE ARTS PLAY IN
22 EDUCATION AND DEVELOPMENT OF EVERY CHILD, EVERY TEENAGER AND
23 ULTIMATELY EVERY ADULT. WE DO VERY GOOD WORK, I THINK, IN
24 BRINGING MANY OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE TO ARTS PERFORMANCES.
25 WORKING TO BRINGS ARTS PERFORMANCES TO THEM. THE MORE

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1 IMPORTANT WORK IS REALLY ENGAGING THEM IN MAKING ART IN THE
2 SCHOOLS AND CAMPS AND EVERYWHERE WE GO. THAT THIS RECOGNITION
3 THAT WE DON'T ONLY DO THAT THROUGH ESTABLISHED ARTS
4 ORGANIZATIONS, THOUGH MANY OF THEM ARE PRETTY GRASSROOTS. BUT
5 CONCENTRATING ON THE ARTS, LIKE THE INNER CITY ARTS CENTER, SO
6 MANY IN OUR DISTRICTS, THAT THIS IS AN ADDITIONAL WAY TO FUND
7 PROGRAMS. AND I THINK A VERY GOOD AND CREATIVE ONE. SO I
8 PRAISE THE ARTS COMMISSION FOR THE GREAT WORK IT'S DONE AND
9 LOOK FORWARD TO THIS REPORT BECAUSE I THINK IT WILL SHOW
10 ESSENTIALLY WHAT IS BEING DONE ALREADY, BUT A CONTINUATION AND
11 GREATER OUTREACH TO PLACES THAT ARE NOT TRADITIONALLY
12 RECEIVING THESE FUNDS. SO I HOPE THAT WE'LL RECEIVE SUPPORT
13 FROM ALL OF OUR COLLEAGUES FOR THIS AMENDMENT TO THIS INTERIM
14 BUDGET.

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16 **LAURA ZUCKER:** AND THANK YOU SUPERVISOR.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'LL PUT THAT ON THE TABLE. THANK
19 YOU, LAURA. THE FINAL MOTION I HAVE, COAUTHORED BY SUPERVISOR
20 HILDA SOLIS. "ON JANUARY 6, THE BOARD REQUESTED THE C.E.O., IN
21 CONSULTATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT OF ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL
22 AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, TO DEVELOP A MASTER PLAN
23 FOR ANIMAL CARE CENTERS. IN ADDITION, ATCOM WAS RETAINED BUY
24 THE COUNTY IN 2012 TO PROVIDE A FACILITY CONDITIONAL
25 ASSESSMENT OF ALL ANIMAL CARE CENTERS. THAT REPORT COULD TAKE

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1 UP TO FOUR YEARS IS ONE PROBLEM. SOME OF THE EXTRAORDINARY
2 MAINTENANCE NEEDS OF THE DEPARTMENT ANIMAL CARE CENTERS ARE
3 URGENT AND CANNOT BE DELAYED FOR THE CONCLUSION OF THIS PLAN,
4 ATCOM'S PLAN. KNOWN URGENT PRESSING ITEMS INCLUDE BUT ARE NOT
5 LIMITED TO REPLACEMENT OF ASPHALT SURFACES THAT SURROUND
6 KENNEL BUILDINGS WITH CONCRETE FOR SAFETY AND SANITATION,
7 REPAIR AND MAINTENANCE OF KENNEL BUILDINGS AND INFRASTRUCTURE
8 AND OTHER ANIMAL ENCLOSURES TO PROVIDE SAFE AND SECURE HOUSING
9 OF ANIMALS, REPAINTING OF EXISTING FACILITIES AND
10 REPAIR/REPLACEMENT OF ROTTING SUPPORT STRUCTURES AND ROOFING.
11 THE IMPROVEMENTS ARE URGENTLY NEEDED FOR THE WELL-BEING AND
12 SAFETY OF OUR ANIMALS, STAFF, AND MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC WHO
13 VISIT THE FACILITIES. AND DESPITE THE PLANNING TO REMODEL
14 AND/OR REPLACE THESE FACILITIES THE COMING YEARS. WE WOULD
15 THEREFORE MOVE THAT THE BOARD DIRECT THE INTERIM C.E.O. TO
16 IDENTIFY FUNDS IN THE FINAL CHANGES BUDGET TO MAKE THE
17 EXTRAORDINARY MAINTENANCE REPAIRS THAT ARE IDENTIFIED AS
18 CRITICAL, UNMET NEEDS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY AT THE ANIMAL CARE
19 CENTERS." SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

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21 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. AND I AM PROUD TO JOIN YOU
22 IN SUPPORT OF THIS MOTION. I RECOGNIZE THAT WE HAVE SOME
23 FACILITIES THAT ARE BELOW WHAT I WOULD CALL ADEQUATE CARE FOR
24 OUR ANIMALS AS WELL AS OUR PUBLIC. AND SO I WANT TO
25 SPECIFICALLY MENTION, AS YOU KNOW, WE HAVE BEEN WORKING WITH

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1 YOUR OFFICE ON SEEING HOW WE COULD FURTHER EXPAND OUR
2 RESOURCES AND IMPROVE UPON THE INFRASTRUCTURE, BUT I WANT TO
3 SPECIFICALLY MENTION THE BALDWIN PARK ANIMAL SHELTER THAT I
4 VISITED THAT I SHARED WITH THE BOARD. AND I THINK PICTURES ARE
5 WORTH 1,000 WORDS. BUT THEY DEFINITELY ILLUSTRATED HOW
6 IMPORTANT IT IS TO PROVIDE IMPROVEMENTS TO A FACILITY THAT IS
7 OVER 50 YEARS OLD. SO I WOULD JUST WANT TO MAKE THAT PART OF
8 THIS MOTION, THAT WE UNDERSCORE THAT THAT IS A PARTICULAR
9 ANIMAL SHELTER IN NEED OF ATTENTION. THE CONDITION OF THE
10 PARKING LOT IS BAD. PUBLIC COUNTERS ARE AWFUL. THE CONDITION
11 OF CONCRETE FLOORS THERE IN THE KENNELS ARE SUBSTANDARD. SO I
12 WOULD JUST URGE THAT THIS BE A PART OF THAT MOTION.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO WE'LL LAY THAT ON THE TABLE.

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16 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO STRONGLY SUPPORT
17 THAT MOTION, AS WELL, TOO, AND AS YOU TALK ABOUT BALDWIN,
18 DOWNEY AND CLOSE TO THE HEADQUARTERS THERE IS IN REALLY ROUGH
19 SHAPE AND ANOTHER OLD FACILITY. SO WE NEED EQUAL TREATMENT
20 THROUGHOUT. SO THANK YOU.

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22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. SO WE'LL PUT THOSE ON THE
23 TABLE. LET ME NOW CALL SUPERVISOR SOLIS IF YOU HAVE OTHER?

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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I WANT TO ALSO EXPRESS MY
2 SUPPORT TO OUR STAFF AND TO OUR C.E.O. AND ALL THOSE THAT HAVE
3 WORKED ON PROVIDING WHAT I THINK IS A VERY CONFIDENT BUDGET.
4 IT'S GOOD TO SEE THAT THE COUNTY FINALLY CONTINUES TO RECOVER
5 FROM A VERY DEEP RECESSION AND THAT REVENUES ARE REBOUNDED,
6 WHICH WILL ALLOW THE COUNTY, FOR THE FIRST TIME IN A LONG
7 TIME, TO PROVIDE MUCH NEEDED SERVICES. THIS YEAR THE MAJORITY
8 OF NEW FUNDING WAS USED TO ADDRESS BOARD PRIORITIES THAT WERE
9 OUTLINED: PUBLIC SAFETY, CHILD PROTECTION AND HEALTHCARE
10 SERVICES. GOING FORWARD, AS POSITIVE REVENUE PROJECTIONS
11 MATERIALIZE, I WOULD HOPE THAT THE COUNTY WOULD CONTINUE TO
12 ADDRESS ADDITIONAL CONCERNS. I'D JUST LIKE TO TOUCH ON THEM. I
13 WAS VERY PLEASED EARLIER IN THE YEAR TO WORK ALONGSIDE WITH
14 THE MAYOR TO LOOK AT HOW WE COULD BEGIN THE DISCUSSION
15 SURROUNDING THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY TRAUMA CENTER AND THE NEED
16 FOR THAT. SO I AM DRAWING THE ATTENTION OF THE BOARD TO THAT
17 MATTER BECAUSE I THINK WE'RE IN A BETTER POSITION NOW, BOTH
18 POLITICALLY BUT AS WELL AS OUR FINANCIAL SITUATION, THAT WE
19 MIGHT BEGIN TO LOOK AT THAT. ALSO TO CONSIDER RESTORING
20 DEPARTMENTS THAT REDUCED SERVICES DUE TO THE RECESSION. SO
21 AGAIN VITAL SERVICES PROVIDED BY ALL ESSENTIAL PARTS OF THE
22 COUNTY. AND THE COUNTY ALSO, I WOULD HOPE TO SUPPORT THE
23 CREATION OF MORE NEW AFFORDABLE HOUSING. WE KEEP HEARING ABOUT
24 THE SHORTAGE AND THE HIGH COST OF RENTALS AND HOUSING IN OUR
25 COUNTY THROUGHOUT OUR CITIES AS WELL AS UNINCORPORATED AREAS,

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1 SO I WANT TO JUST UNDERSCORE THE NEED FOR US TO LOOK AT
2 CREATIVITY, WORKING IN PUBLIC-PRIVATE PARTNERSHIPS AS WELL AND
3 GARNERING SUPPORT TO INCREASE AND ADD MORE AFFORDABLE HOUSING.
4 ALSO, I WOULD ASK THAT THE BOARD LOOK AT SUCCESSFUL PROGRAMS
5 THAT HAVE DEMONSTRATED REDUCTION IN CRIME, ESPECIALLY AS IT
6 RELATES TO OUR PARKS. AND THERE IS A PROGRAM THAT WE CURRENTLY
7 ADMINISTER, PARKS AFTER DARK. AND I WOULD HOPE THAT WE COULD
8 EXPAND THAT AS WE MOVE ALONG AND LOOK AT POTENTIAL REVENUES OR
9 INITIATIVES THAT MIGHT BE BROUGHT BEFORE THE COUNTY. IN
10 ADDITION, I'VE ALSO -- I SPOKE ABOUT THE ARTS ALREADY PROGRAM
11 AND I STRONGLY ENCOURAGE SUPPORT OF THAT AND WANT TO THANK THE
12 COUNTY BOARD MEMBERS FOR THEIR SUPPORT ON MANY OF THESE ITEMS
13 AND LOOK FORWARD TO WORKING WITH OUR STAFF AND WITH OUR
14 STAKEHOLDERS AND OUR CONSTITUENTS TO SEE HOW WE COULD FURTHER
15 EXPAND OUR GOALS. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. MR. MAYOR. SUPERVISOR
16 KNABE?

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18 **SUP. KNABE:** YEAH, I JUST WOULD JOIN IN PARTICULARLY AS IT
19 RELATES TO THE SAN GABRIEL VALLEY TRAUMA CENTER, SOMETHING
20 WE'VE BEEN ACTIVELY GOING AFTER FOR MANY, MANY YEARS IN A
21 NUMBER OF DIFFERENT WAYS. MAYBE AT SOME POINT THAT CAN COME
22 TOGETHER. I DO HAVE AS IT RELATES TO REGISTRAR-RECORDER? IS
23 THE REGISTRAR-RECORDER HERE? ONE OF THE THINGS THAT I. THAT I
24 NOTICE THAT THE DEPARTMENT'S REVENUE HAS FROM REAL ESTATE
25 FEES, RECORDING FEES, HAS REALLY GONE DOWN THE PAST COUPLE OF

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1 YEARS. AND THE C.E.O. HAS BEEN COVERING THE SHORTFALL WITH
2 SOME SIGNIFICANT, ONGOING GENERAL FUND DOLLARS. IS THERE A
3 PLAN EITHER TO THE C.E.O. OR TO THE DEPARTMENT TO EITHER
4 REMEDY, ADDRESS OR FIX THIS PARTICULAR ISSUE? AND I GUESS THE
5 QUESTION SHOULD BE SHOULD THERE BE A HIRING FREEZE UNTIL SUCH
6 TIME THAT WE ADDRESS IT BUT IT IS SIGNIFICANT AS I UNDERSTAND.
7 AM I CORRECT?

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9 **DEAN LOGAN:** YOU ARE CORRECT. DEAN LOGAN REGISTRAR-RECORDER
10 COUNTY CLERK. THE ISSUE WE HAVE BEEN ADDRESSING FOR SEVERAL
11 FISCAL YEARS NOW STARTING AT THE BEGINNING OF THE ECONOMIC
12 DOWNTURN IS REALLY THE ISSUE I WOULD CHARACTERIZE IT MORE AS A
13 MARKET ISSUE THAN AN OVERALL REVENUE ISSUE. LET ME TRY TO
14 SUMMARIZE THAT IN A COUPLE DIFFERENT WAYS. ONE IS THAT WE --
15 OUR REVENUE IS BASED ON THE REAL ESTATE MARKET. SO IF SALES
16 AREN'T HAPPENING, IF TRANSFERS OF PROPERTY ARE NOT HAPPENING,
17 WE'RE NOT GOING TO BRING IN THE ASSOCIATED REVENUE WITH THAT.
18 AND WE REALLY HAVE NO ABILITY TO INCREASE THE REVENUE. OUR
19 FEES ARE MAXIMIZED, ALL OF THAT. SO IT REALLY IS DRIVEN BY THE
20 MARKET. NOW WHEN THE DECLINE FIRST STARTED, WE DID HAVE A 15
21 PERCENT DECREASE IN POSITIONS IN THE RECORDER BUREAU. SO WE
22 HAVE MONITORED THAT CLOSELY. OVERALL ECONOMIC RECOVERY, AS WE
23 ALL KNOW, IS HAPPENING, BUT WE'RE AT THE TAIL END OF THAT. SO
24 WE'RE SORT OF IN THIS ODD SITUATION WHERE THE ECONOMY'S
25 GETTING BETTER BUT HOME SALES AREN'T HAPPENING RAPIDLY.

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1 IRONICALLY, THE DECREASE IN FORECLOSURES ACTUALLY HAS A
2 NEGATIVE IMPACT ON OUR REVENUE BECAUSE WE GET FEES FOR THOSE
3 FORECLOSURES. SO THE FACT THAT FORECLOSURES HAVE STOPPED AND
4 THE PACE OF NEW SALES HASN'T KEPT UP WITH THAT ACTUALLY TAKES
5 OUR REVENUE DOWN. SO WE'RE AT THE TAIL END OF THAT ECONOMIC
6 RECOVERY. I THINK THAT WILL, OVER TIME, CORRECT ITSELF. WE DID
7 RECOGNIZE THIS LAST YEAR, WE DID PARTNER WITH THE C.E.O. TO
8 TRY TO LOOK AT A DIFFERENT WAY OF PROJECTING OUR REVENUE
9 RATHER THAN JUST SIMPLY LOOKING AT NUMBERS OF DOCUMENTS, TO
10 ACTUALLY WORK WITH. WE ENTERED INTO A CONTRACT WITH U.C.L.A.
11 ANDERSON FORECAST TO LOOK SPECIFICALLY AT INDIVIDUAL DOCUMENT
12 TYPES AND WHERE IS THE MOST ACTIVITY HAPPENING ON THE RECORDER
13 SIDE? AND WHAT IS THE LONG-TERM PROJECTION FOR RECOVERY.
14 INTERESTINGLY THROUGH THAT RESEARCH, THERE IS A PROJECTION
15 THROUGH DECEMBER 2016. THAT FORECAST STILL PREDICTS THAT WE'LL
16 CONTINUE TO SEE DECLINES IN TRANSACTION VOLUMES. AND PART OF
17 IT IS THAT ON THE GOOD SIDE FORECLOSURES HAVE GONE DOWN. BUT
18 SHORT-TERM INTEREST RATE INCREASES IN 2015 HAVE IMPACTED. THE
19 DECLINE IN THE RATE OF HOUSEHOLD FORMATION IN THE COUNTIES IS
20 IMPACTING THAT IN TERMS OF HOME SALES AND THE GROWTH IN JOBS
21 AND WAGES DOESN'T MATCH THE PACE OF THE AVERAGE HOME PRICES.
22 SO THAT'S THE REVENUE SIDE OF THE EQUATION. THE OTHER SIDE OF
23 THE EQUATION IS THAT, THE OTHER SIDE OF OUR HOUSE IS THE
24 EXPENDITURE SIDE OF ELECTIONS, WHICH OF COURSE HAS NO
25 CORRELATION TO THE MARKET. SO THE FREQUENCY AND THE COST OF

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1 RUNNING ELECTIONS HAVE CONTINUED TO GO UP AS THAT REVENUE HAS
2 GONE DOWN. AND OF COURSE THAT'S A CORE COUNTY FUNCTION THAT WE
3 HAVE TO PROVIDE. NOW, THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN DILIGENT IN
4 REDUCING OVERTIME COSTS, REDUCING TEMPORARY STAFFING. WE'VE
5 REALLOCATED STAFF AND CROSS-TRAINED STAFF FROM THE RECORDING
6 SIDE TO PICK UP SOME OF THAT VOLUME ON THE ELECTIONS SIDE, BUT
7 IT SIMPLY ISN'T ENOUGH TO OFFSET THE ECONOMIC IMPACT AND THE
8 COST OF ELECTIONS.

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10 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. MAYOR, I'D LIKE TO PUT A MOTION OUT ON THE
11 TABLE SO WE GET OUR ARMS AROUND THIS AND NOT GET STUNG. BUT MY
12 STAFF WILL PASS OUT THE MOTION. BASICALLY, IT'S ANALYZING THE
13 SITUATION THAT YOU JUST EXPLAINED SO WELL AND THAT THE BOARD
14 REALLY NEEDS TO GET A BETTER UNDERSTANDING OF THE MAGNITUDE OF
15 THIS REVENUE LOSS AND I WOULD MOVE THAT THE C.E.O. REPORT BACK
16 DURING FINAL CHANGES WITH ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REGARDING THE
17 REVENUE PROBLEM BECAUSE, ONCE AGAIN, I THINK THERE'S ABOUT A
18 \$12 MILLION ONE-TIME FIX THAT THE C.E.O. HAS PUT IN PLACE
19 THERE WITH THE DEPARTMENT AND THE PLANS TO ADDRESS IT IN A
20 COMPREHENSIVE MANNER. SO I WOULD PUT THAT OUT THERE ON THE
21 TABLE, AS WELL.

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23 **SUP. SOLIS:** I WANT TO CHIME IN AND SAY THIS IS A VERY
24 IMPORTANT ISSUE BECAUSE OF THE SERVICES THAT YOUR OFFICE
25 PROVIDES AND WILL CONTINUE TO PROVIDE AS WE SEE MORE

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1 INDIVIDUALS GETTING READY FOR OUR ELECTIONS THAT WILL BE
2 COMING UP. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY THE ROLE THAT YOU PLAY IN
3 CITIZENSHIP. AND AS WE EDUCATE OUR COMMUNITY ABOUT
4 OPPORTUNITIES AND THEIR CIVIC DUTY. SO I AM VERY INTERESTED IN
5 SEEING WHAT OTHER SOURCES OF FUNDING MIGHT BE MADE AVAILABLE
6 BECAUSE I KNOW YOU'RE ALSO PROVIDING MUCH NEEDED SERVICES TO
7 THE CURRENT POPULATION SHIFTS THAT WE'RE SEEING IN OUR COUNTY.
8 AND I THINK THAT'S REALLY ESSENTIAL. SO WE NEED TO FOCUS IN ON
9 THE NEED TO CONTINUE TO HAVE STABLE SERVICES BUT ALSO A STEADY
10 FUNDING STREAM FOR YOU AND FIGURE OUT MAYBE LOOKING AT WHAT
11 OTHER STATES ARE DOING OR HOW WE CAN MAYBE ENGAGE THE STATE. I
12 KNOW THE FORMER SENATOR PADILLA, ALEX PADILLA IS LOOKING AT
13 MAJOR INITIATIVES TO CHANGE VOTING. AND THERE MAY BE OTHER
14 OPPORTUNITIES TO PITCH IN AS THOSE KINDS OF ITEMS MOVE
15 FORWARD. SO I LOOK FORWARD TO SUPPORTING THIS MOTION. THANK
16 YOU.

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18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
19 THOMAS? OKAY. SUPERVISOR KUEHL.

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21 **SUP. KUEHL:** OKAY. IN TERMS OF THE STUDY OF HOW WE CAN LOOK AT
22 THE REVENUE PORTIONS AND PEOPLE ALWAYS LOOK, OF COURSE, AT
23 EXPENDITURES, AS WELL. I THINK THIS IS A PARTICULARLY
24 DIFFICULT ONE BECAUSE YOU CAN'T CUT YOUR WAY OUT OF THIS
25 BECAUSE OF THE SERVICES YOU HAVE TO PROVIDE. BUT LOOKING AT

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1 THE REVENUE SIDE, I MEAN YOU CHARGE CERTAIN FEES FOR THE
2 SERVICES YOU PROVIDE TO OUR CONSTITUENTS. AND I DON'T THINK
3 ANY OF US PARTICULARLY WANTS TO SEE THOSE FEES JUMP UP BY 100
4 PERCENT. YOU LOST HALF OF YOUR MONEY BECAUSE THERE ARE FEWER
5 FILINGS. IT'S A GOOD THING THAT THERE ARE FEWER BANKRUPTCIES.
6 IT'S A GOOD THING THAT THERE ARE FEWER FORECLOSURES, ET
7 CETERA. BUT IT DOESN'T HELP OUR REVENUE STREAM BECAUSE
8 NOBODY'S FILING THEM. SO I THINK WE'RE GOING TO HAVE TO BE A
9 LITTLE MORE CREATIVE SOMEHOW. I DON'T KNOW. BUT I SEE OUR
10 INTERIM C.E.O. NODDING, SO I BET THEY'LL BE CREATIVE IN THAT
11 DEPARTMENT. I LOOK FORWARD TO THE RECOMMENDATIONS.

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13 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-
14 THOMAS?

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16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. CHAIRMAN, MR.
17 MAYOR. I ASSUME WE'RE CONTINUING TO OFFER OUR AMENDING
18 MOTIONS, AM I CORRECT? TO THE EXTENT THAT THAT IS THE CASE, I
19 AM AWARE OF THE FACT THAT "FOR THE PAST SEVERAL YEARS, THE
20 BOARD HAS MADE THE ISSUE OF CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING A PRIORITY.
21 AND MORE RECENTLY WITH THE ADDITION OF THE TWO NEW BOARD
22 MEMBERS, THEY HAVE CHIMED IN AND LEANT THEIR SUPPORT TO THE
23 DISCUSSION, AS WELL. CHANGES IN LEGISLATION HAVE RESULTED IN
24 ADVOCACY AT THE STATE, LOCAL AND NATIONAL LEVELS. BIG, BIG
25 ISSUE ON OUR BOARD MEETING VISITS TO THE NATION'S CAPITAL. WE

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1 HAVE ADVOCATED THERE. IT'S RATHER UNFORTUNATE THAT THERE IS
2 CURRENTLY GRIDLOCK IN WASHINGTON, D.C. AROUND THE LEGISLATION
3 THAT WOULD PROVIDE FURTHER PROTECTIONS FOR SEXUALLY EXPLOITED
4 CHILDREN AND SEEK TO ADDRESS THE DEMAND SIDE OF THE EQUATION
5 BY INCREASING THE PENALTIES FOR THOSE INDIVIDUALS THAT SEEK TO
6 BUY CHILDREN. WE'VE ASSERTED REPEATEDLY OUR CHILDREN ARE NOT
7 FOR SALE. AND WE WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE THAT OUR MANTRA. THE
8 FACT IS: COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION OF CHILDREN IS NOTHING
9 SHORT OF DEPLORABLE. SINCE 2007, THERE'S BEEN FUNDING
10 APPROPRIATED IN THE C.E.O.'S BUDGET INITIATIVE THAT HASN'T
11 BEEN IMPLEMENTED; THAT IS THE HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES, STRONGER
12 FAMILIES, THRIVING CHILDREN'S INITIATIVE. WHAT MORE
13 APPROPRIATE USE OF ANY SUCH RESOURCES COULD THERE BE? THOSE
14 FUNDS NOW STAND AT APPROXIMATELY \$6.7 MILLION TO DATE. AND
15 THERE'S BEEN NO INITIATIVE FOR THE USE OF THOSE FUNDS. GIVEN
16 OUR EVOLVING NEEDS, GIVEN THE PRIORITY THAT'S ATTACHED TO
17 THIS, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT WE SHOULD CONSIDER USING THESE FUNDS
18 TO COMBAT THE ISSUE OF CHILD SEX TRAFFICKING HERE IN LOS
19 ANGELES COUNTY MORE THAN WE'D LIKE TO ACKNOWLEDGE BECOMING ONE
20 OF THE EPICENTERS OF THIS DEPLORABLE PHENOMENON. MAY I THEN
21 SUGGEST THAT WE MOVE FORWARD WITH AMENDING LANGUAGE TO AFFORD
22 THE MEMBERS OF THIS BOARD TO PUT THEIR HEADS TOGETHER, FIGURE
23 OUT HOW THEY USE THE RESOURCES AT OUR DISPOSAL AND MOVE
24 FORWARD WITH THE AGENDA OF PUTTING OUR RESOURCES WHERE OUR
25 STATED COMMITMENT IS IN TERMS OF THE ERADICATION OF CHILD SEX

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1 TRAFFICKING IN OUR COUNTY." AND SO I'LL PLACE THAT BEFORE THE
2 BOARD FOR CONSIDERATION AND I'LL TAKE IT UP AT THE APPROPRIATE
3 TIME FOR DISPOSITION BY THE BOARD AS A WHOLE.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR HILDA SOLIS?

6

7 **SUP. SOLIS:** I WOULD JUST LIKE TO ADD THAT I, TOO, WHEN I
8 LEARNED ABOUT THIS PARTICULAR ACCOUNT AND WHAT ITS PURPOSE WAS
9 ESTABLISHED BACK IN 2007, HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES, STRONGER
10 FAMILIES AND THRIVING CHILDREN INITIATIVE. AND THE FACT THAT
11 HERE WE ARE FACED WITH THE HARDSHIP AND NEGLIGENCE OF OUR
12 CHILDREN, ESPECIALLY WITH RESPECT TO SEX TRAFFICKING AND HOW
13 WE SEE THAT AS A GROWING EPIDEMIC THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. SO I
14 STRONGLY SUPPORT THIS MOTION AND HOPE THAT THE BOARD MEMBERS
15 WILL LOOK AT THIS COLLECTIVELY AND HOW WE CAN UTILIZE THIS
16 FUND THAT HAS ALREADY BEEN ESTABLISHED. SO CLEARLY SOMEONE IN
17 THEIR WISDOM HAD THE NOTION OF THIS MONEY BEING SET ASIDE AT
18 SOME TIME FOR IT TO HAVE SAT THERE AND NOT BEEN UTILIZED, I
19 DARE TO THINK HOW IT COULD HAVE HELPED TO SAVE SOME PEOPLE AND
20 HELP PROVIDE THE NEEDED SERVICES THAT WE KEEP HEARING ABOUT
21 THAT ARE NOT -- THAT HAVE NOT BEEN MADE AVAILABLE. SO I
22 STRONGLY URGE THE BOARD TO PLEASE TAKE THIS SERIOUSLY. THANK
23 YOU.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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2 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. AND THANK YOU TO MY
3 COLLEAGUES, SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS AND SOLIS, FOR BRINGING
4 THIS. LITTLE BIT OF A CAUTIONARY ISSUE. I DO SUPPORT THE
5 MOTION AND WILL SUPPORT IT FOR INCLUSION TO REQUEST THE C.E.O.
6 FOR A REPORT BACK. THAT HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES MONEY IS REALLY
7 ONE-TIME MONEY. IF WE'RE LOOKING AT ESTABLISHING SERVICES THAT
8 ARE ONGOING, OBVIOUSLY YOU HAVE TO THINK ABOUT WHAT WE'RE
9 DOING AND HOW THAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN UNLESS WE ENDOW THEM
10 SOMEHOW. I WAS ALSO VERY HAPPY TO SEE IN THE SECOND PART OF
11 THE MOTION THAT THE DEPENDENCY COURT PROGRAM WOULD POTENTIALLY
12 SERVE AT-RISK AND FOSTER CARE YOUTH INVOLVED IN OR AT RISK OF
13 COMMERCIAL SEXUAL EXPLOITATION. IT'S BEEN INTERESTING TO SEE
14 SOME OF THE STUDIES THAT SOME OF THE GIRLS IDENTIFIED AS
15 SEXUALLY EXPLOITED WERE ACTUALLY NOT BUT HAD SUFFERED OTHER
16 ABUSE JUST AS BAD. I'M NOT SAYING THAT THEY SHOULDN'T ALSO BE
17 CONSIDERED. BUT WHILE WE'RE VERY APPROPRIATELY LOOKING AT
18 SEXUALLY EXPLOITED YOUNG PEOPLE, I LIKE THE IDEA IN THIS
19 MOTION ABOUT PREVENTION BECAUSE I THINK ONE OF THE THINGS
20 ABOUT THIS BUDGET -- AND OF COURSE IT'S MY FIRST. AND I DIDN'T
21 SEE ANY OF THE RECESSION BUDGETS. BUT WHEN THE C.E.O. TALKS
22 ABOUT IT BEING A REFORM BUDGET, I SEE IT AS BEING KIND OF A
23 TRANSITIONAL, ALMOST TRANSCENDED BUDGET WHERE WE'RE REALLY
24 MOVING FROM JUST PUNISHMENT, JUST INCARCERATION, JUST PUTTING
25 PEOPLE SOMEWHERE BECAUSE THEY'RE IN TROUBLE TO THE NOTION OF

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1 PREVENTION, THE NOTION OF TREATMENT, THE NOTION OF SERVICE. I
2 THINK THE STAR COURT HAS ALWAYS BEEN A WONDERFUL THING. I
3 SUPPORT IT AND SAY THAT I HOPE WE'LL ALSO LOOK AT HOW TO
4 CONTINUE AND NOT JUST PUT IN SOME ONE-TIME MONEY AND BE AT
5 RISK AND HAVING THE COURT AND PROGRAMS AND AGAIN DEPENDENCY
6 COURT BE AT RISK A YEAR OR TWO LATER.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I HAVE TWO MOTIONS. ONE OF
15 THEM, THE SHERIFF SPOKE ABOUT THE EMERGENCY VEHICLE OPERATIONS
16 CENTER THAT IT WANTS TO FUND WITH 10-1/2 MILLION DOLLARS. AND
17 IN THE BUDGET AT THE MOMENT, WE SEE A TRANSFER OF THAT 10-1/2
18 MILLION INTO A CAPITAL PROJECT. THOUGH IT SEEMS TO ME AFTER
19 ASKING SEVERAL QUESTIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT, INSUFFICIENT
20 PLANNING, I THINK, HAS BEEN DONE FOR AN EXPENDITURE OF THAT
21 EXTENT. THE COSTS ARE REALLY UNKNOWN. SO THE MOTION THAT WE
22 PUT BEFORE YOU IS TO FREEZE 9.5 MILLION OF THAT NEW MONEY AND
23 ALLOW THE SHERIFF AND THE C.E.O. TO USE 1 MILLION FOR
24 PRECONSTRUCTION, PREDESIGN AND TO REQUEST A REPORT BY AUGUST
25 1ST WITH A FEASIBILITY ANALYSIS AND FULL COST ESTIMATES ABOUT

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1 WHAT MIGHT NEED TO BE BILLED, WHAT MIGHT NOT ESPECIALLY NEED
2 TO BE BILLED. THE EVOC, THE EMERGENCY VEHICLE OPERATIONS
3 CENTER, SERVES THE PURPOSE OF NEW RECRUIT TRAINING, RE-
4 CERTIFICATION TRAINING AND REMEDIAL TRAINING. BUT I THINK IT'S
5 NECESSARY TO ASK FOR MORE INFORMATION. SO IT SEEMS TO ME LIKE
6 A MILLION IS SUFFICIENT TO GET IT STARTED. I KNOW THAT OTHER
7 SUPERVISORS HAVE SOME IDEAS ABOUT WHAT THE SHERIFF MIGHT DO
8 WHILE THEY'RE GETTING STARTED. BUT I WOULD ASK YOUR SUPPORT TO
9 FREEZE 9.5 MILLION, NOT TO EXPEND IT JUST ON A BRAND NEW TRACK
10 AND ROLE PLAYING HOUSE WITHOUT FURTHER STUDY.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR SOLIS?

13

14 **SUP. SOLIS:** I SUPPORT THE MOTION BEING PRESENTED BY SUPERVISOR
15 KUEHL AND THINK THAT IT IS IMPORTANT FOR US TO TAKE A LOOK
16 ALSO AT WHAT CURRENT RESOURCES OR ASSETS THAT MAY BE OUT IN
17 THE COUNTY. SO I WOULD LIKE TO OFFER, IF I MIGHT, A FRIENDLY
18 AMENDMENT THAT WOULD READ AS FOLLOWS: "TO EVALUATE POTENTIAL
19 OPTIONS FOR THE INTERIM INCREASING THE DEPARTMENT'S ACCESS TO
20 FACILITIES SUITABLE FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLE DRIVERS' TRAINING.
21 IN ADDITION TO COUNTY-OWNED FACILITIES SUCH AS THE POMONA
22 FAIRPLEX, THE C.E.O. SHOULD CONSIDER THE FEASIBILITY OF
23 PRIVATE AND NON-COUNTY PUBLIC FACILITIES AND REPORT BACK TO US
24 IN 30 DAYS." AND AT THAT REASON THAT I BROUGHT UP THIS MOTION
25 IS BECAUSE I KNOW THAT IN THE COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES, WE HAVE

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1 OTHER ASSETS THAT MIGHT BE MADE AVAILABLE, BOTH PUBLIC AND
2 PRIVATE. AND IT'S JUST A WAY TO KIND OF HELP US TRANSITION BUT
3 HOPEFULLY KEEP COSTS DOWN, AS WELL. SO IT'S JUST A REPORT
4 BACK. GIVE US AN ASSESSMENT. AND THEN LET'S FIGURE OUT IF THIS
5 MIGHT BE SOMETHING THAT WE CAN UTILIZE, AS WELL. SO IF THE
6 ORIGINAL SPONSOR OF THE MOTION WOULD ACCEPT THIS, I WOULD BE
7 PLEASED. VERY PLEASED TO HAVE YOUR SUPPORT.

8

9 **SUP. KUEHL:** I'M SORRY. EVERYONE IS WHISPERING IN MY EAR. COULD
10 YOU ASK THE QUESTION AGAIN, PLEASE?

11

12 **SUP. SOLIS:** IF YOU'LL SUPPORT MY FRIENDLY AMENDMENT TO LOOK AT
13 OTHER POTENTIAL ASSETS THAT THE COUNTY MIGHT LOOK AT AS WE'RE
14 GOING THROUGH THESE FEASIBILITY STUDIES.

15

16 **SUP. KUEHL:** I ACCEPT THAT AS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT AND
17 APOLOGIZE THAT I DID NOT FORMALLY READ IN MY MOTION, WHICH I
18 BELIEVE IS REQUIRED BY THE RULES. SO IF I MAY READ THE MOTION
19 IN AND THEN ACCEPT THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT JUST TO KIND OF KEEP
20 IT ON TRACK, THE MOTION THAT I PRESENTED, "I THEREFORE MOVE
21 THAT THE \$10.5 MILLION OF APPROPRIATION RECOMMENDED BY THE
22 INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER FOR CAPITAL PROJECT NO. 69799,
23 SHERIFF PITCHES EMERGENCY VEHICLE OPERATION BE APPROVED BUT
24 THAT \$9.5 MILLION BE FROZEN FOR SPENDING. AFTER THE PROVISION
25 OF ADDITIONAL INFORMATION TO THE BOARD, AS SPECIFIED IN THIS

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1 MOTION, THE BOARD WILL CONSIDER UNFREEZING THE \$9.5 MILLION
2 APPROPRIATION FOR COMPLETION OF THE CAPITAL PROJECT. THE
3 REMAINING \$1 MILLION OF APPROPRIATION IS INTENDED FOR SHERIFF
4 EVOC FACILITY PRECONSTRUCTION AND PREDESIGN EFFORTS. I FURTHER
5 MOVE THAT THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT THE INTERIM CHIEF
6 EXECUTIVE OFFICER, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE SHERIFF'S
7 DEPARTMENT AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS, TO BEGIN THE
8 PRECONSTRUCTION AND PREDESIGN PROCESSES FOR THE SHERIFF
9 EMERGENCY VEHICLE OPERATIONS CENTER PROJECT, SUBMIT A REPORT
10 BY AUGUST 1, 2015 THAT INCLUDES A FEASIBILITY ANALYSIS AND
11 FULL COST ESTIMATES FOR THE PROPOSED SHERIFF EMERGENCY VEHICLE
12 OPERATIONS CENTER PROJECT, INCLUDING THE VEHICLE DRIVING
13 TRAINING TRACK, EMERGENCY MANEUVER SKID PAD, MOTORCYCLE
14 TRAINING AREA, NEW OFFICE AND PARKING AREA, RELOCATION
15 EXPENSE, SURVIVAL TACTICS ROLE PLAY FACILITY, ACCESS ROAD
16 REPLACEMENT, SOFT COSTS AND PROJECT CONTINGENCIES." AND I DO
17 ACCEPT THE FRIENDLY AMENDMENT, AS WELL.

18
19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE A GOOD FRIEND. [LAUGHTER.] ANY
20 OTHER MOTIONS THAT YOU MAY HAVE? WE HAVE A QUESTION ON THE
21 ITEM, SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS? YOU HAVE A QUESTION?

22
23 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** YES. JUST ON THE EVOC MOTION. THE LOS
24 ANGELES POLICE DEPARTMENT ALSO OWNS AN EMERGENCY VEHICLE
25 OPERATING CENTER IN GRENADA HILLS SOMETIMES KNOWN AS THE ED

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1 DAVIS ACADEMY. I WONDER IF IT'S APPROPRIATE IN THE CONTEXT OF
2 THE DUE DILIGENCE THAT IS BEING DONE THAT THE SHERIFF'S
3 DEPARTMENT GIVE SOME FEEDBACK IN THE REPORT BACK AND THE
4 EXPLORATION OF THE FURTHERANCE OF THE MOTION THAT YOU HAVE
5 BROUGHT FORWARD, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, TO ASK THE QUESTION OF
6 L.A.P.D. OR SEEK TO DETERMINE WHETHER OR NOT THERE ARE JOINTS
7 EFFORTS UNDERWAY IN THE INTERESTS OF COST SAVINGS AND THE
8 FURTHERANCE OF COLLABORATION, IF IT MAKES SENSE. I WOULD JUST
9 SIMPLY SAY THAT THEY SHOULD ANSWER THAT QUESTION AS A PART OF
10 THE EXPLORATION THAT YOU REQUIRE THEM TO BRING FORWARD. I
11 WOULD JUST OFFER THAT AS A FURTHERANCE OF WHAT IS BEING
12 SOUGHT.

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL:** I THINK THE SHERIFF WOULD DO WELL TO SEE WHAT
15 KINDS OF COLLABORATIVE EFFORTS MIGHT BE USED. I THINK HE MIGHT
16 HAVE THE SAME PROBLEM THAT THEY HAVE AT THE FAIRPLEX. WHICH
17 L.A.P.D. MIGHT USE THEIR FACILITY 250 DAYS A YEAR. BUT I THINK
18 IT CERTAINLY SEEMS TO ME TO BE GOOD TO ASK THE SHERIFF'S
19 DEPARTMENT AND THE SHERIFF HIMSELF TO SEE THE POSSIBILITIES
20 FOR COLLABORATION IN THE USE OF FACILITIES. IN A WAY,
21 SUPERVISOR SOLIS'S MOTION ABOUT FAIRPLEX, SINCE THAT'S THE
22 COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, REALLY, WAS ALSO A WAY OF ASKING WHAT KIND
23 OF FURTHER COLLABORATION. SO I THINK THAT'S TOTALLY
24 APPROPRIATE. THANK YOU.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY OTHER MOTIONS?

2

3 **SUP. KUEHL:** YES. I HAVE A SECOND MOTION. AND IT'S REALLY ABOUT
4 WHAT IS LISTED OF WHAT IS ITEM 52 ABOUT PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES.
5 BUT IT'S REALLY A PART OF THE BUDGET. SO I'M UNDER THE
6 IMPRESSION IT'S MORE APPROPRIATE TO TALK ABOUT IT NOW? WOULD
7 THAT -- SEEING NO OBJECTION, AS WE HEAR. OKAY. SO ON ITEM 52,
8 WHICH IS A PART OF THE BUDGET. THE PART OF THE BUDGET RELATED
9 TO PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LET'S MOVE 50 FIRST.

12

13 **SUP. KUEHL:** BUT THIS IS PART OF THE BUDGET. SO DO YOU WANT US
14 TO DO IT AS 52 OR AS PART OF THE BUDGET?

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MAKE IT UNDER 52. I HAVE BEEN ADVISED
17 BY A HIGHER AUTHORITY THAN MYSELF. [LAUGHTER.]

18

19 **SUP. KUEHL:** THERE'S A LOT OF PEOPLE TALKING TO ME FROM HERE,
20 TOO. I HAVE TO SAY -- MAY I JUST SAY THAT I REALLY APPRECIATE
21 THE WORK OF ALL THE STAFF BECAUSE AS I'M SURE THE AUDIENCE CAN
22 SEE, WE DON'T ACTUALLY ALWAYS KNOW EXACTLY WHAT THE NEXT THING
23 IS. AND ALL THAT WHISPERING GOING ON IN OUR EARS IS BEING TOLD
24 TO US BY OUR INCREDIBLY TALENTED STAFF WHO GENERALLY KNOWS
25 ABOUT FIVE TIMES AS MUCH AND KEEPS UP AS WE DO. SO I JUST I

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1 KNOW EVERYBODY IS HAPPY WITH THEM, BUT I'D REALLY LIKE TO
2 THANK THEM TODAY, ESPECIALLY SINCE THIS IS MY FIRST BUDGET.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I AGREE. WE HAD ONE PUBLIC SPEAKER,
5 ARNOLD SACHS ON THE BUDGET. NICE MAN. ITEM 50, THE BUDGET,
6 YES.

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU VERY QUICKLY THANK YOU VERY MUCH,
9 ARNOLD SACHS. SINCE THERE WAS SO MUCH IN THERE, THE SHERIFF'S
10 DEPARTMENT, NOBODY MENTIONED ANYTHING ABOUT THE DUAL TRACK
11 PROGRAM THAT WAS TALKED ABOUT WHEN YOU HAD THE COMMISSION HIGH
12 STANDARDS. AND SUPERVISOR KNABE TOUCHED ON THIS YOU MEAN WHEN
13 THEY ABSORBED THE COUNTY POLICE AND THEN YOU HAVE AN ITEM ON
14 YOUR AGENDA TODAY REGARDING AMNESTY FOR COUNTY EMPLOYEES WHO
15 ILLEGALLY SIGNED UP PEOPLE TO BE ON THEIR HEALTH BENEFITS. AND
16 THE HIRING VETS? DIDN'T HEAR ANYTHING ABOUT VETS. NEPOTISM,
17 LIKE WHAT'S GOING ON WITH THE FIRE DEPARTMENT. AND WE HEARD
18 ABOUT ATTRITION. WHAT IS THE YEARLY COUNT IN THE SHERIFF'S
19 DEPARTMENT REGARDING ATTRITION? SO ARE THESE NEW POSITIONS
20 BEING FILLED OR ARE THEY JUST NEW HIRES? OR ARE THEY FILLING
21 POSITIONS THAT ARE ATTRITIONED OUT? MENTAL ILLNESS IN JAIL.
22 IT'S NOT A SOLUTION FOR THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO DEAL WITH
23 MENTAL ILLNESS IN JAIL. IT'S LIKE MENTAL ILLNESS IN
24 GOVERNMENT. THE SHERIFF DOESN'T DEAL WITH THAT. BUT THE PUBLIC
25 DOES. THEN THERE WAS THE TALK ABOUT UNFUNDED LIABILITY AND YOU

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1 MENTIONED THE \$450 MILLION PAYMENT FOR UNFUNDED LIABILITY.
2 THAT'S 4 PERCENT OF THE UNFUNDED LIABILITY AND IT'S STILL
3 GOING UP. SO THAT DOESN'T AMOUNT TO ANYTHING. SOMEBODY
4 MENTIONED RUNNING ELECTIONS. HOURLY WAGE INCREASE? YOU'RE
5 TALKING ABOUT \$15. BUT THE VOLUNTEERS GET \$8 AN HOUR. ARE YOU
6 LOOKING INTO THAT? ART FUNDING. SOMEBODY MENTIONED THE FORD
7 AMPHITHEATRE. SO WHY DOES THE HOLLYWOOD BOWL GET PARK FUNDS
8 FROM 1996 AND '92 INITIATIVE, EXCESS COUNTY FUNDS, BUT THE
9 FORD AMPHITHEATRE DOESN'T? THEY'RE BOTH PUBLIC FACILITIES. HOW
10 HAS THAT HAPPENED? THE ANACOM PLANT, ALL COUNTY FACILITIES,
11 FACILITIES BELOW STANDARDS FOR ANIMALS IN PUBLIC. YEAH, IT'S
12 CALLED TWIN TOWERS.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. WE HAVE A MOTION ON ITEM 50
15 AS AMENDED WITH ALL OF THOSE MOTIONS AND CLARIFICATIONS THAT
16 WERE ON THE TABLE. SO WE HAVE A MOTION TO APPROVE. MOTION BY
17 SOLIS, I'LL SECOND IT. WITHOUT OBJECTION, THE MOTION PASSES.
18 SO ORDERED AND CONGRATULATIONS, SACHI, AND CONGRATULATIONS TO
19 YOUR STAFF. AND CONGRATULATIONS TO MY COLLEAGUE'S STAFF AND MY
20 COLLEAGUES WORKING COOPERATIVELY ON THIS JOINT EFFORT. THANK
21 YOU. ALL THE AMENDMENTS AND ALL THE ADDITIONS.

22

23 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR.

24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WE HAVE AN URGENT TO MOVE TO 49.

2 WE HAVE SACHI?

3

4 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** THAT WOULD BE ON THE LA-RICS

5 ITEM? AND I BELIEVE WE WILL HAVE STAFF COMING UP ON ITEM 49.

6 ON ITEM 49 THERE ARE TWO ITEMS RELATED TO THIS, TWO

7 RECOMMENDATIONS RELATED TO THIS ITEM. THE FIRST IS THE BOARD

8 HAD ASKED FOR A REPORT BACK ON THE CO-LOCATION POLICY. SO IF

9 WE COULD TAKE THAT ITEM UP? THE SECOND PIECE IS RELATED TO THE

10 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN FOR THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT TO LIFT ITS

11 SUSPENSION. BUT BEFORE WE GET THERE, I WOULD JUST LIKE TO PUT

12 FORWARD THE POLICY THAT WE WERE RECOMMENDING.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GOOD AFTERNOON.

15

16 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** GOOD AFTERNOON. MR. MAYOR, BEFORE

17 WE GET THERE, WHERE MR. MELON DOES HIS REPORT ON THE

18 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN, I WOULD LIKE TO BIFURCATE THE ITEM AND

19 ASK THAT THE BOARD CONSIDER THE RECOMMENDATION ON THE CO-

20 LOCATION POLICY WHICH WOULD BE THE C.E.O.'S RECOMMENDATION TO

21 PROHIBIT CO-LOCATION OF CARRIERS FOR COMMERCIAL SERVICE AT ALL

22 COUNTY-OWNED, COUNTY-OPERATED AND COUNTY-CONTROLLED SITES

23 WHERE A, COUNTY FIREFIGHTERS SLEEP AND RESIDE, OR B, THE SITE

24 IS LOCATED WITHIN 250 FEET OF AN EXISTING RESIDENCE AND FOR

25 ALL OTHER SITES CO-LOCATION OF CARRIERS FOR COMMERCIAL SERVICE

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1 MAY BE PERMITTED ON A CASE BY CASE BASIS SUBJECT TO SOLE
2 DISCRETION OF THE BOARD. SO WITH THAT, THAT WOULD BE OUR
3 RECOMMENDATION FOR APPROVAL.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE A NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO
6 WANT TO SPEAK ON THIS, DO YOU WANT TO HEAR THEM FIRST?

7

8 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** I THINK WE SHOULD PROBABLY HEAR
9 THE SPEAKERS IF THEY'RE TALKING ABOUT THE CO-LOCATION SO YOU
10 COULD TAKE THAT RECOMMENDATION UP FIRST?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** DAVID GILLOTTE, DON FLY, MOLLY
13 HELFAND, KATHY NICHOLS, AND THEN THE LAST SPEAKER WILL BE
14 ARNOLD SACHS. GOOD AFTERNOON.

15

16 **DAVE GILLOTTE:** GOOD AFTERNOON. JUST CAME BACK FROM YOUR
17 BEAUTIFUL DISTRICT. 24-HOUR ROUND-TRIP TO VISALIA WHICH IS NOT
18 VALENCIA WHICH I LEARNED 2-1/2 HOURS INTO THE TRIP, AND
19 VALENCIA IS 2-1/2 HOURS COMING BACK. TO SPEAK IS THIS GERMANE
20 ONLY TO CO-LOCATION?

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES.

23

24 **DAVE GILLOTTE:** OKAY, I'LL STICK TO THAT POINT.

25

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU HEARD THE AMENDMENT? THE
2 QUALIFICATION?

3

4 **DAVE GILLOTTE:** I CAN STILL DO IT IN A MINUTE.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU HEARD THE C.E.O.'S QUALIFICATION.

7

8 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** THE RECOMMENDATION THAT WE'RE
9 PUTTING FORWARD?

10

11 **DAVE GILLOTTE:** WHICH IS NUMBER 2 OPTION ON THE CO-LOCATION
12 POLICY? ON THAT WE CAN BE SUPPORTIVE OF THAT AND FIRST OF ALL
13 LET ME YOU THAT THIS IS ONE OF THE MOST COMPREHENSIVE, FACT-
14 FILLED REPORTS WE'VE SEEN IN A LONG TIME. VERY REFRESHING, I
15 PUT THAT IN MY REMARKS TO THE BOARD. KUDOS TO THE C.E.O. FOR
16 DOING THAT. ESPECIALLY IN THIS AREA OF WORK. HAVING SAID THAT
17 WE PREFER OPTION NO. 3 BECAUSE WE THINK THAT YOU OUGHT TO HAVE
18 EXTREME CONTROL OVER EVERYTHING THAT COMES OUT OF LA-RICS AT
19 THIS POINT, INCLUDING CO-LOCATION. WE'RE EXTREMELY GRATEFUL
20 THAT YOU'VE TAKEN THE APPROACH THAT FIRE STATIONS WILL BE
21 REMOVED FROM CO-LOCATION. HOPEFULLY THAT POINT BECOMES MOOT AS
22 A RESULT OF THE OVERRIDING ISSUE THAT WILL BE CONSIDERED
23 TODAY. HAVING SAID THAT, I WOULD ONLY ASK WHAT YOU CLARIFY
24 WHAT THE MAGIC IS BEHIND 250 FEET FOR NOT ONLY HEALTH AND
25 SAFETY CONCERNS BUT WHAT ABOUT ALSO FOR PROPERTY VALUES AND

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1 OTHER ISSUES THAT HAVE COME UP? IS 250 FEET ENOUGH TO NOT
2 DEVALUE YOUR PROPERTY? AND THOSE ISSUES I THINK WERE GERMANE
3 FOR YOU TO ASK. AND THAT'S IT. THANK YOU.

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. YES, MA'AM.

6

7 **MOLLY HELFAND:** HI, I'M MOLLY HELFAND. I LIVE ON CORNELL ROAD.
8 I HAVE A COUPLE ISSUES. THE CO-LOCATION ISSUE, THE SAME AS
9 THIS GENTLEMAN, AS 250 FEET IN ANY LOCATION CLOSE TO ANY
10 RESIDENCE IS REALLY NOT ENOUGH. WE LIVE WITHIN 250 FEET. AND
11 IF A TOWER WENT UP, WHICH IT DID, IN ANY NEIGHBORHOOD AFTER
12 THE FACT, IT WOULD BE TOO CLOSE. ADDITIONALLY, WE NOTICED ON
13 THE LIST, WHICH THANK YOU. OUR STATION IS NOT LISTED THERE ANY
14 LONGER. WE'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THE TIMELINE IS NOW TO REMOVE
15 THE TOWER. THERE IS NOTHING IN THE REPORT THAT STATES THAT THE
16 TOWER'S GOING TO BE REMOVED. SO WE WOULD LIKE TO KNOW WHAT THE
17 PLAN IS TO HAVE THE TOWER REMOVED IN ANY OF THE EXISTING
18 AREAS. AND HOW SOON AND WHERE THE COSTS ARE INVOLVED IN THAT.
19 SO GOING FORWARD, WE NEED TO HAVE THAT ADDRESSED. AND NOTHING
20 IN THE LA-RICS PLAN WAS MENTIONED, JUST THAT THE TOWERS WERE
21 NOT ON THE LIST ANY LONGER. AND ALSO, I SAW THAT THERE ARE
22 FIRE STATIONS STILL ON THE LIST IN OTHER AREAS, LIKE IN LONG
23 BEACH. I THINK THAT THOSE FIRST RESPONDERS ALSO HAVE PROBABLY
24 THE SAME CONCERNS AS IN L.A. COUNTY. I THINK THAT THEY SHOULD
25 BE ADDRESSED, AS WELL. I MEAN, WE HAVE OBVIOUSLY ADDRESSED THE

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1 ISSUE HERE, BUT WE SHOULD HAVE THE SAME CONCERNS FOR THOSE
2 FIRST RESPONDERS AS WELL AS THE ONES HERE. SO THANK YOU VERY
3 MUCH FOR LISTENING TO US. AND WE REALLY APPRECIATE YOUR FAST
4 RESPONSE.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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8 **MOLLY HELFAND:** THANK YOU.

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS DON FLY HERE? DON FLY? YES, MA'AM?

11

12 **CATHY NICHOLS:** MY NAME IS CATHY NICHOLS. I COME FROM ROLLING
13 HILLS. BEA DERRINGER OUR COUNCIL PERSON COULDN'T BE HERE TODAY
14 AND ASKED US TO COME AND REITERATE THAT ROLLING HILLS CITIZENS
15 AND OUR CITY COUNCIL OPPOSE ANY TOWER, L.T.E. OR L.M.R ON
16 STATION 56. AND WE DO NOT FEEL THAT 250 FEET IS ANYWHERE NEAR
17 FAR ENOUGH FROM HOMES. SO WE WOULD OPPOSE OPTION 2. I ALSO
18 WANTED TO SHARE WITH YOU A LETTER THAT WE HAVE DISCOVERED FROM
19 THE DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR REGARDING SOME OF THE HEALTH
20 ISSUES. BEFORE I DO THAT, I WOULD LIKE TO STATE I WAS A SENIOR
21 PARTNER IN MCKINZIE AND COMPANY, THE LEADING GLOBAL TOP
22 MANAGEMENT CONSULTING FIRM IN THE WORLD, AND THEN I WAS
23 CHAIRMAN AND C.E.O. OF UNIVERSAL STUDIOS' RECREATION GROUP,
24 WHICH WAS THE THEME PARKS AND CITY WALKS AND SOME OTHER ITEMS
25 AROUND THE WORLD. I ONLY MENTION THAT BECAUSE I KNOW WHEN YOU

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1 CAN'T SEE IT, HEALTH ISSUES COME UP. AND YOU MAY NOT REALLY
2 CONSIDER WHEN A PERSON TALKS ABOUT THIS THAT THEY AREN'T A BIT
3 CRAZY. BUT I DID DISCOVER A DEPARTMENT OF INTERIOR LETTER
4 WHICH I BROUGHT FOR YOU. AND I'LL JUST SHARE WITH YOU A FEW
5 EXCERPTS FROM THAT. IT IS CONCERNING BIRDS. AND MAYBE THE
6 REASON WHY IN A.B.1486 THE STATE TOOK MIGRATORY AREAS, REFUGEE
7 AREAS, ROGUES, ET CETERA, OFF THE LIST OF ACCEPTABLE SITES.
8 BASICALLY THEY TALK ABOUT THE SIGNIFICANT HEALTH ISSUE NOT
9 ONLY FROM HITTING THE TOWER, BUT THEY STRESS THAT A VERY
10 SIGNIFICANT HEALTH ISSUE IS ASSOCIATED WITH THE
11 ELECTROMAGNETIC NONIONIZING, ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION EMITTED
12 BY THESE TOWERS. THEY GO ON TO SAY, AND THIS IS VERY
13 IMPORTANT, "THE ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION STANDARDS USED BY
14 THE F.C.C. CONTINUE TO BE BASED ON THERMAL HEATING, A
15 CRITERION NOW NEARLY 30 YEARS OUT OF DATE AND TOTALLY
16 INAPPLICABLE TODAY." THEY ATTACH AN ATTACHMENT TO THEIR LETTER
17 WHEN THEY SAY "THE SECOND SIGNIFICANT ISSUE ASSOCIATED WITH
18 COMMUNICATION TOWERS INVOLVES IMPACTS FROM NONIONIZING
19 ELECTROMAGNETIC RADIATION EMITTED BY THEM. SEE ATTACHMENT."
20 THAT ATTACHMENT LISTS FOR A PAGE AND A HALF ALL THE HEALTH
21 STUDIES. AND THEY POINT OUT THAT SITE ABANDONMENT, DEATH,
22 LOCOMOTION PROBLEMS, SURVIVORSHIP. IN OTHER WORDS, WE'RE THE
23 CANARIES IN THE COAL MINE. AND THE BIRDS ARE BEING PROTECTED.
24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ASK DID YOU WORK
2 WITH DAN SLESSER AT UNIVERSAL?

3

4 **CATHY NICHOLS:** NO, I DIDN'T. NO.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. SACHS AND MR. FLY?

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8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACK. AND
9 THIS IS AN ARTICLE FROM OCTOBER 30, 29. "PALOS VERDES CAN BAN
10 WIRELESS TOWER INSTALLATION" PALOS VERDES ESTATES. IT GOES ON
11 TO TALK HOW SPRINT TOOK THEM TO COURT. THE APPEALS COURT RULED
12 IN FAVOR OF THE ATTORNEY FOR THE CITY, CONCLUDING THAT THE
13 CALIFORNIA CONSTITUTION GRANTS LOCAL GOVERNMENTS THE RIGHT TO
14 MAKE AND ENFORCE ALL ORDINANCES NOT IN CONFLICT WITH STATE
15 LAWS. SO ESSENTIALLY IT BECOMES THE CITY'S OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE
16 AND ENFORCE THE LAWS IN THEIR ORDINANCE. THIS IS A LETTER TO
17 THE EDITOR REGARDING LA-RICS FROM JUNE 20, 2014. IT WAS
18 WRITTEN BY SOMEBODY WHO LIVES IN RANCHO PALOS VERDES AND HE
19 TALKS ABOUT HOW THIS IS AN A PROGRAM, LA-RICS, THAT IS
20 ATTEMPTING TO OVERCOME 25 YEARS OF EXPENSIVE ATTEMPTS BY THE
21 ASSOCIATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY COMMUNICATIONS OFFICIALS THAT
22 WERE NEVER ABLE TO ACHIEVE TO GET THIS TRULY REGIONAL
23 INTEROPERABLE COMMUNICATIONS SYSTEM. AND THIS IS FROM THE
24 STATE LEGISLATIVE AGENDA FROM 2013/'14 THAT GOES TO THE COUNTY
25 BOARD OF SUPERVISORS, PAGE 61, 12.2, TELECOMMUNICATIONS AND

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1 VIDEO SERVICES. ITEM NO. 7, SUPPORT PROPOSALS THAT EVALUATE
2 THE HEALTH AND SAFETY IMPACT OF WIRELESS COMMUNICATIONS
3 EMISSIONS. ARE YOU DOING THAT? THIS IS WHAT STATE LEGISLATURE,
4 THIS IS WHAT YOU ARE GETTING FROM THE STATE LEGISLATURE. ALL
5 THAT BEING SAID AND DONE, I UNDERSTAND \$153 MILLION FOR THE
6 SYSTEM, YOU COULD HAVE A PILE OF STUFF THIS WAY. YOU GOT ONE
7 PAPER THAT SAYS \$153 MILLION. WHICH WAY DO YOU THINK THE
8 COUNTY BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IS GOING TO VOTE? IT DOESN'T
9 MATTER. \$153 MILLION. FOLLOW THE MONEY.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. LET ME ALSO CALL UP JAMES
12 AICHELE AND ROBERT LUCAS. YES, SIR.

13

14 **DON FLY:** YEAH, HI. I'M DON FLY AND I LIVE ON CORNELL ROAD. AND
15 I AM WITHIN THE 250 FEET FROM THE FIRE STATION WHERE THE TOWER
16 HAS BEEN ERECTED. AS WE PREVIOUSLY STATED ON THE MARCH 24TH
17 MEETING, THERE IS NO PUBLIC OUTCRY OR OUTREACH. THERE WAS NO
18 NOTICE OF ANYTHING. I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE HEALTH ISSUES
19 AND THE PROPERTY DEVALUATION. I DO APPRECIATE THE RECENT
20 ACTION BY THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS IT HAS TAKEN REGARDING LA-
21 RICS. AND I'D LIKE TO KNOW WHAT ARE THE PLANS FOR THE CELL
22 TOWER AT FIRE STATION 65? AND IF IT'S SCHEDULED FOR RELOCATION
23 OR REMOVAL. AND WHAT IS THE ANTICIPATED TIMEFRAME?

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YES, SIR.

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2 **JAMES AICHELE:** JAMES EICHLEY FROM ROLLING HILLS. I'D LIKE TO

3 BRING UP A FEW POINTS. FIRST OF ALL, I SAT THROUGH A COUPLE

4 MEETINGS NOW AND I APPRECIATE WHAT YOU DO BECAUSE I WOULDN'T

5 WANT YOUR JOB AT ALL. OUTSIDE OF THAT, THE PROPOSAL THAT THEY

6 PUT ON FOR A POLICY OPTION NO. 2 IS A BAD ONE. THE GENTLEMAN

7 HERE WAS TALKING ABOUT BEING WITHIN 250 FEET. 250 FEET IS LESS

8 THAN A CITY BLOCK. ACTUALLY, ACCORDING TO THEIR OWN

9 ESTIMATIONS, BY PUTTING IT 250 FEET AWAY FROM A HOME, YOU'RE

10 ACTUALLY EXPOSING THEM MORE THAN IF YOU PUT THEM UNDER THE

11 TOWER. THE MINIMUM DISTANCE SHOULD BE A THIRD TO A HALF MILE

12 FROM ANY RESIDENCE. SO WE'D LIKE TO SUPPORT OPTION NO. 3

13 UNLESS YOU'RE REALLY GOING TO BUMP UP THE DISTANCE ON NO. 2.

14 THE OTHER THING IS CO-LOCATION. BY CO-LOCATING OTHER PEOPLE ON

15 YOUR TOWERS, ALL YOU'RE DOING IS EXPOSING THEM TO MORE OF THAT

16 RADIATION THAT THEY'RE ALREADY GETTING. I MEAN, WHAT'S THE

17 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN ONE TOWER AND TWO TOWERS? PROBABLY DOUBLE

18 THE INTENSITY. SO CO-LOCATING IS A BAD, BAD THING. THE OTHER

19 THING, THIS ONE IN ROLLING HILLS. AND THEY SAID THERE'S A

20 TOWER ALREADY THERE. THE TOWER THERE WE WERE TOLD IS A

21 REPEATING TOWER WHICH ALSO PUTS IT IN VIOLATION OF THE

22 HOMEOWNERS' ASSOCIATION C.C.N.R.S WHICH THE PROPERTY DOES HAVE

23 ON IT WHICH THEY DO HAVE TO OBSERVE BECAUSE IT IS NOT EXEMPT

24 BECAUSE IT IS NOT FOR THE EXCELLENT USE OF THAT STATION.

25 OUTSIDE OF THAT WE WOULD JUST LIKE TO ASK YOU TO CONSIDER WHAT

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1 YOU'RE DOING TO US, TO THE PEOPLE AROUND US AND THE REST OF
2 THE PEOPLE IN L.A. COUNTY NOT JUST OUR CITY.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, SIR. MR. LUCAS?

5

6 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON ONCE AGAIN. YOU KNOW, I WAS HERE
7 WHEN THE FIRE DEPARTMENT WAS IN HERE AND THE UNION REPS AND I
8 HEARD A LOT OF CONCERNS ABOUT SOME CORRUPTION,
9 MISREPRESENTATIONS, BUT LET ME POINT OUT A COUPLE THINGS ABOUT
10 THIS SPHERE THAT I HEAR ABOUT THE ELECTROMAGNETIC PULSES. HAVE
11 YOU EVER SEEN A SOLAR FLARE SO LARGE THAT IT AFFECTS YOUR
12 CABLE, YOUR TELEPHONE, YOUR CELL PHONE? THE FACT IS IS WHEN
13 YOU'RE AN EMERGENCY RESPONDER, THERE'S AN EARTHQUAKE, THERE'S
14 SOME TYPE OF A MAJOR CATASTROPHE, HOW DO YOU FEEL WHEN YOU
15 MAKE A CALL AND YOUR CELL PHONE DOESN'T WORK? HOW DO YOU FEEL?
16 HOW FRUSTRATED DID YOU GET? NOW, MULTIPLY THAT BY ABOUT 1,000
17 WHEN SOMEBODY'S LIFE IS ON THE LINE. SOMETIMES THE HEALTH
18 CONCERNS OUT OF FEAR THAT ARE NOT PROVEN, THAT MAY BE
19 MOTIVATED BY SOME POLITICAL GAIN OR SOME FINANCIAL INCENTIVE
20 OR SOMEBODY'S HURT FEELINGS IS OVERWEIGHING THE PUBLIC SAFETY
21 IN AN EMERGENCY SITUATION? I SAY THAT'S NONSENSE. YOU PEOPLE
22 HAVE WORKED AROUND YOUR CONSTITUENTS LONG ENOUGH TO KNOW
23 WHAT'S VALID. THE PEOPLE WHO WORKED FOR YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE
24 ENOUGH TO KNOW IF SOMEBODY'S GAMING YOU. ALL OF THE POLITICS
25 AND THE INTERDEPARTMENTAL ISSUES THAT GO ALONG WITHSTANDING IN

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1 THE WAY OF PUBLIC SAFETY OR THE EFFICIENCY OF THE HEROES THAT
2 DO THE JOB AND THE COURAGE THAT IT TAKES. AND I SET HERE AND
3 WATCH A UNION REP PONTIFICATE FOR AN ENTIRE FIRE DEPARTMENT. I
4 DON'T SEE THAT MAN WITH THE A UNIFORM ON. I SEE HIM TAKING
5 MONEY TO BE A MOUTH PIECE. I'M LOOKING AT THE PEOPLE THAT ARE
6 OUT THERE PUTTING THEIR LIVES ON THE LINE TO TRY AND SAVE OURS
7 AND TO TAKE A COMMUNICATION DEVICE AWAY FROM THEM IN THE TIME
8 OF NEED? THAT MAKES NO SENSE TO ME.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** GOING TO LANCASTER. NICOLE PARSON.

11

12 **NICOLE PARSON:** HELLO.

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14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HELLO, NICOLE.

15

16 **NICOLE PARSON:** HI, HELLO. I JUST WANTED TO OPPOSE THE TOWERS
17 BECAUSE IN THE TIMES OF EMERGENCY, WE'RE GOING TO NEED THE
18 DOCUMENTS LIKE THE CUSTODY DOCUMENTS, THE RESTRAINING ORDER
19 AND TO BE ON A COMPUTER BECAUSE, YOU KNOW, THE BUILDINGS MIGHT
20 GET DESTROYED. AND LIKE THE COURT DOCUMENTS, TOO. THE JUDGES'
21 ORDERS SIGNATURES NEED TO BE ON A COMPUTER. AND THEN ALSO I
22 SEE I WAS LOOKING AT THE LIABILITIES, LIABILITIES IS BECAUSE
23 LIKE THE PROBATION OFFICE IS GETTING TOO MUCH OF THE BUDGET
24 FOR AFFORDABLE CARE. AND THEN PUBLIC HEALTH, PUBLIC SAFETY IS
25 NOT -- WELL -- SO, ANYWAYS, SO THAT'S THE DRAIN IN IT. AND

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1 WE'RE SUPPOSED TO DO EMERGENCY AND PUBLIC SAFETY. AND IT
2 DOESN'T HAVE TO DO WITH DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE OR THE 109.
3 THAT'S IT. AND THEN ALSO -- OKAY. THAT'S ALL I WANTED TO SAY.
4 I'M SURE YOU'LL SEE IT, SEE WHAT'S GOING ON IN HOUSING
5 ABATEMENT IS NOT -- THAT'S DRAINING YOUR GUYS'S. WELL, IT'S
6 GOING TO RECRIMINALIZE THE PEOPLE LIKE PROPOSITION 47. IT
7 SHOULDN'T BE ADMINISTERED THROUGH PUBLIC SAFETY AND STUFF.
8 WE'LL SEE. OKAY.

9

10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, NICOLE. NICE SEEING YOU
11 AGAIN. OKAY, BYE-BYE.

12

13 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** SO, MR. MAYOR, THIS PORTION OF
14 THE ITEM IS BEFORE THIS BOARD AND IS SPECIFIC TO JUST THE CO-
15 LOCATION POLICY.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** COULD WE ASK MR. MALORY TO COME BACK?
18 THE QUESTIONS THAT WERE RAISED BY SOME OF THE SPEAKERS, COULD
19 YOU COMMENT ON THOSE?

20

21 **SPEAKER:** OKAY. REGARDING THE CO-LOCATION, I BELIEVE THE MOTION
22 STANDS AS SUBMITTED. REGARDING THE SITE AT STATION 56 IN
23 ROLLING HILLS, THEY'RE CORRECT, THERE IS AN EXISTING LICENSED
24 TRANSMITTER OF DEVICES THAT ARE MOUNTED ON A TOWER. MODELING
25 FOR THE LA-RICS SYSTEM. AND WE THOUGHT ACTUALLY THERE WOULD BE

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1 A DECREASE IN THE R.F. EMISSIONS FROM THAT SPECIFIC SITE. BUT
2 AS YOU FIND WHEN WE MOVE FORWARD, WE HAVE A SPECIFIC
3 RECOMMENDATION AS IT PERTAINS TO ALL COUNTY FIRE SITES.
4 REGARDING THE STATION IN AGOURA, AS FAR AS THE REMOVAL OF THE
5 TOWER, WE DID HAVE A DISCUSSION WITH SUPERVISOR KUEHL'S STAFF
6 YESTERDAY REGARDING SOME SPECIFIC DIRECTION THAT WE WOULD
7 APPRECIATE ON THAT. IT WOULD HELP US IN ADDRESSING THIS ISSUE
8 WITH N.T.I.A. AS WE ARE UNDER A SUSPENSION RIGHT NOW OTHER
9 THAN MAKING SAFE ALL THE SITES, WE REQUIRE N.T.I.A. APPROVAL
10 TO MOVE FORWARD WITH ANY FURTHER ACTION.

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THE ISSUE OF LIABILITY, PROPERTY
13 VALUES THAT ARE DECREASED, DECREASED NOT BECAUSE THE HOMEOWNER
14 DID SOMETHING TO THEIR PROPERTY BUT BECAUSE THEIR NEIGHBOR DID
15 SOMETHING TO THEIR PROPERTY. WHAT IS THE FINANCIAL LIABILITY?

16

17 **SPEAKER:** I DON'T KNOW WHAT THE LEGAL STANDING IS ON THAT. I
18 KNOW THAT THERE'S BEEN SOME QUESTIONS OF HOUSING AND URBAN
19 DEVELOPMENT PROCESSES AS FAR AS NOT PROCESSING LOANS. AND I
20 BELIEVE THERE IS A RESTRICTION IF IT'S WITHIN THE LEGAL
21 BOUNDARIES OF THE PROPERTY WHERE THAT TOWER IS SO LOCATED, BUT
22 I DON'T BELIEVE IT IS THE CASE IF IT IS ADJACENT.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** LIKE WE HEARD WHERE A LADY COULD TOUCH
25 THE POLE FROM HER WINDOW.

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2 **SPEAKER:** YES, SUPERVISOR. THE ISSUE ABOUT THE HUD HOUSING
3 LOANS, WHICH WE HEARD ABOUT YESTERDAY, I ACTUALLY DID A LITTLE
4 BIT OF RESEARCH, AND I FOUND THAT THERE ISN'T A TRUE
5 RESTRICTION IN BARRING A HOME LOAN UNDER HUD. AS LONG AS THE
6 PROPERTY IS NOT ON THE EASEMENT THAT IS WHERE THE CELL TOWER
7 IS LOCATED. THE EASEMENT IN THIS INSTANCE IS ALWAYS OWNED BY
8 THE COUNTY. ON THE SECOND ISSUE ABOUT THE HOME VALUES. WE HAVE
9 BEEN LOOKING INTO THAT ISSUE. AND IT'S NOT A CLEAR CASE OF
10 LIABILITY FOR THE COUNTY IN THE INSTANCE THAT ALL THE WORK
11 THAT IS BEING DONE IS ACTUALLY WITHIN THE COUNTY PROPERTY. AND
12 THE COUNTY COULD, THROUGH ITS REGULATORY POWER, PUT THAT TOWER
13 IN FOR THE BENEFIT OF THE PUBLIC. THAT BEING THE CASE, MOST OF
14 THESE TOWERS AT THE FIRE STATIONS WILL LIKELY BE REMOVED AFTER
15 CONSULTATION WITH EACH OF THE VARIOUS DISTRICTS, IN
16 CONSULTATION WITH N.T.I.A. SO WE ARE IN THE PROCESS OF
17 DISCUSSING HOW THOSE TOWERS COULD BE REMOVED, WHO WILL PAY FOR
18 THOSE TOWERS AND HOW WILL WE PUT THOSE [INAUDIBLE] BACK IN. SO
19 AT THE FIRE STATIONS, IT WILL LIKELY BECOME A NONISSUE VERY
20 QUICKLY.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU ARE EXPLORING WHERE THEY HAVE
23 LOCATED THEM NEXT TO A HOME, HAVING THEM REMOVED AND LOOKING
24 AT THE COSTS OF DOING THAT ET CETERA?

25

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1 **SPEAKER:** THAT'S CORRECT. WE ARE LOOKING INTO THAT AND WILL BE
2 CONTACTING EACH OF THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS TO DISCUSS
3 THOSE FIRE STATIONS AND WHICH PORTIONS CAN BE REMOVED AND GO
4 BACK TO THE SETTLED GRANTOR AND DISCUSS THE COSTS FOR THAT IF
5 IT'S ALLOWABLE.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO DO I HAVE A MOTION TO APPROVE? I
8 HAVE A MOTION. SECOND. DO WE HAVE A SECOND? IS THERE ANY
9 OBJECTION? NO OBJECTION. SO ORDERED.

10

11 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. AND THANK
12 YOU, BOARD. NOW WE WILL ADDRESS THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN
13 THAT WAS SUBMITTED TO THE N.T.I.A. MR. MELON WILL GIVE AN
14 UPDATE ON THAT ITEM.

15

16 **SPEAKER:** THANK YOU. MR. MAYOR, MEMBERS OF THE BOARD,
17 SUBSEQUENT TO YOUR DIRECTION ON MARCH 24TH, THE LA-RICS
18 PROJECT CEASED CONSTRUCTION AT ALL COUNTY FIRE STATIONS. AND
19 THEN BASED ON A SIMILAR ACTION BY THE LOS ANGELES CITY COUNCIL
20 RELATIVE TO L.A.P.D. STATIONS AND L.A. FIRE DEPARTMENT
21 STATIONS, WE MADE NO FURTHER ACTION TO CONSTRUCT ANY, OR TO
22 PERFORM ANY CONSTRUCTION. ON APRIL THE 3RD, N.T.I.A. BASED
23 UPON THE ACTIONS OF YOUR BOARD AND CITY COUNCIL VOTED TO
24 DIRECT A SUSPENSION OF THE GRANT IN ORDER THAT WE PROVIDE A
25 CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN BY APRIL THE 30TH. WE HAVE DONE THAT.

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1 THE BIG CONCERN WAS THAT N.T.I.A. WOULD LIKE TO SEE THE LA-
2 RICS PROJECT MOVE FORWARD AND DELIVER A VIABLE PUBLIC
3 BROADBAND -- PUBLIC SAFETY BROADBAND SYSTEM. WE HAVE DEVELOPED
4 A STRATEGY TO BUILD OUT ON COUNTY, COUNTY SITES OTHER THAN AT
5 COUNTY FIRE STATIONS. THERE'S A TOTAL OF 30 SITES THAT ARE
6 COUNTY-OWNED. THERE'S AN ADDITIONAL 16 SITES THAT ARE OWNED BY
7 INDEPENDENT CITIES THAT HAVE GIVEN US SITE ACCESS AGREEMENTS.
8 AND WE'RE WORKING WITH THOSE CITIES TO MOVE FORWARD ON THOSE.
9 SO THAT LEAVES US A TOTAL OF 46 SITES WHERE WE CAN ACTUALLY
10 DEPLOY THE ENOVS WHICH ARE THE L.T.E. TRANSFER STATIONS AS
11 WELL AS TWO BACK CALL AND WE ALSO RECEIVED AN OUTREACH FROM
12 THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA FROM CAL-O.E.S. WHO IS VERY INTERESTED
13 IN SEEING LOS ANGELES A SUCCESS AS FAR AS THE P.S.P.N. WE HAVE
14 IDENTIFIED 15 STATE-OWNED SITES OR COMBINATION OF STATE-OWNED
15 AND THERE'S ACTUALLY ONE COUNTY-OWNED SITE, STAR CENTER, FOR
16 DEPLOYMENT OF CELL ON WHEELS, WHICH WILL HELP FILL IN THE GAP.
17 THAT WILL GIVE US JUST A LITTLE OVER 60 SITES TO MOVE FORWARD.
18 THERE ARE ALSO TWO CITY OF LOS ANGELES PROPRIETARY SITES THAT
19 WE ARE WORKING WITH THE CITY TO MOVE FORWARD ON. THAT WOULD
20 GIVE US A VIABLE PUBLIC SAFETY BROADBAND NETWORK. THERE ARE
21 SOME SIGNIFICANT AREAS WHERE COVERAGE HAS BEEN LOST IN THE SAN
22 FERNANDO VALLEY AS WELL AS ALONG THE SOUTH BAY AREA. BUT WE
23 CAN AND WE HAVE BEEN WORKING VERY CLOSELY WITH N.T.I.A. AND
24 FIRST NET TO DELIVER THOSE SITES. ANOTHER ELEMENT IN YOUR
25 DIRECTION WAS TO DEVELOP A PUBLIC OUTREACH PROGRAM. WE HAVE

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1 ACTUALLY DEVELOPED A MULTI-TIER APPROACH TO THAT. FIRST BASED
2 ON THOSE SITES THAT MIGHT BE INTER OR ADJACENT TO RESIDENTIAL
3 AREAS. THE SECOND BEING THOSE AREAS THAT ARE EITHER MIXED USE
4 OR COMMERCIAL. AND THEN LASTLY IN COMPLIANCE WITH YOUR
5 DIRECTIVE, WE ARE PREPARED TO MOVE FORWARD WITH FIVE REGIONAL
6 MEETINGS, ONE IN EACH OF THE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS AS WELL
7 AS THE COMMUNITY-SPECIFIC MEETINGS THAT YOUR BOARD MIGHT
8 DIRECT. AS I SAID THE CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN WAS SUBMITTED TO
9 N.T.I.A. YESTERDAY ON TIME. N.T.I.A. IS IN THE PROCESS OF
10 CONSIDERING THAT NOW BUT ALSO ONE OF THE DIRECTIVES FROM
11 N.T.I.A. IS THAT WE SEEK AND GAIN THE APPROVAL OF THAT ACTION
12 BY THE COUNTY BOARD AS IT RELATES TO COUNTY OWNED SITES AS
13 WELL AS THE CITY OF LOS ANGELES RELATED TO THE CITY SITES. IF
14 YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS, I'LL BE HAPPY TO ANSWER THEM.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I HAVE AN AMENDMENT APPROVING THE LA-
17 RICS AUTHORITIES CORRECTIVE ACTION PLAN PERMITTING THE
18 CONSTRUCTION OF THE LONG TERM EVOLUTION INFRASTRUCTURE AND A
19 SMALLER NUMBER OF COUNTY-OWNED OPERATED OR CONTROLLED SITES AS
20 IDENTIFIED IN THE LA-RICS AUTHORITY C.A.P. AND AUTHORIZE
21 CONSTRUCTION TO BEGIN OR CONTINUE AT THOSE COUNTY-OWNED
22 OPERATOR CONTROL SITES AS SET FORTH IN THE LA-RICS AUTHORITY
23 CAP. HOWEVER, WITH RESPECT TO THE SITES LOCATED AT THE
24 SHERIFF'S STATION IN SANTA CLARITA, THE SHERIFF'S STATION IN
25 LA CRESCENTA VALLEY, BELL GARDENS POLICE DEPARTMENT, EL

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1 MONTE'S POLICE DEPARTMENT, THE SHERIFF'S STATION IN INDUSTRY,
2 AND THE SHERIFF'S STATION IN PICO RIVERA, CONSTRUCTION CANNOT
3 BEGIN AT THESE SITES UNTIL THE PUBLIC OUTREACH HAS BEEN
4 COMPLETED AND THE C.E.O. AND LA-RICS STAFF HAVE REPORTED BACK
5 AND CONSULTED WITH RESPECTIVE SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICTS THAT
6 THESE SITES ARE LOCATED IN ON THE OUTCOME OF THE PUBLIC
7 OUTREACH EFFORTS AND WHETHER CONSTRUCTION CAN NOW PROCEED. AND
8 THAT'S SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. ANY QUESTIONS? SUPERVISOR
9 KUEHL?

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL:** I KNOW THAT THIS PROCESS HAS BEEN VERY DIFFICULT.
12 I SEE THE SHERIFF AND THE FIRE CHIEF AND WONDERING HOW CAN WE
13 EVER MAKE THIS ALL WORK? AND I KNOW IT'S GIVEN SOME HEARTBURN.
14 BUT IT'S GIVEN A LOT OF HEARTBURN IN THE OTHER SIDE OF THE
15 AREAS, AS WELL. I THINK WHAT WE'VE TRIED TO DO AS A BOARD IS
16 TO FIND A WAY THAT THE SYSTEM CAN SOMEHOW HAPPEN, ALBEIT IN A
17 SMALLER WAY AT THE MOMENT, WITH MAYBE SOME LATER HELP FROM THE
18 FEDERAL GOVERNMENT ABOUT WHAT TO DO TO MAKE IT COMPLETE, MORE
19 COMPLETE, BUT I'M REALLY KIND OF PROUD OF US IN THE LARGER
20 SENSE, IN THE BUDGET DISCUSSIONS THAT WE'VE HAD, IN THE
21 OVERSIGHT COMMISSION FOR YOUR DEPARTMENT, MR. SHERIFF, IN A
22 LOT OF WAYS WHERE WE'RE REALLY LISTENING, I THINK, TO THE
23 CONCERNS OF OUR CONSTITUENTS AND TRYING TO EVALUATE IF THERE'S
24 A MIDDLE ROAD, IF THERE'S A WAY TO GO, IF THERE'S A WAY TO TRY
25 TO MAKE THINGS HAPPEN BUT TAKE INTO ACCOUNT HOMEOWNERS WHO ARE

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1 CONCERNED, FIRE FIGHTERS WHO ARE CONCERNED, RESIDENTS WHO ARE
2 CONCERNED AND ALL OF OUR PUBLIC SAFETY AREAS WHO ARE
3 CONCERNED. SO I THINK THIS IS A GOOD START. WE'LL SEE. BUT WE
4 HAD TO MEET THE OBJECTIONS. SPEAKING AS A HOMEOWNER, I WOULD
5 HAVE BEEN EXTREMELY UPSET TO HAVE ONE OF THESE GO UP ON MY
6 LOCAL FIRE STATION A BLOCK AWAY. AND I UNDERSTAND IT. SO I
7 THINK WE HAVE DONE AS WELL AS WE COULD AND WE'RE GOING BACK TO
8 WASHINGTON TO TALK MORE WITH THEM NEXT WEEK. SO I SUPPORT THIS
9 MOTION.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. ANY COMMENT? ANY QUESTIONS?
12 SUPERVISOR KNABE?

13

14 **SUP. KNABE:** I AGREE WITH THE SUPERVISOR. WE WORKED HARD TO
15 SORT OF MAKE THIS SYSTEM WORK. I MEAN AT THE END OF THE DAY,
16 WE NEED TO BALANCE THE OUTREACH AND EVERYTHING ELSE AT THE END
17 OF THE DAY FOR THE PUBLIC SAFETY OF THE CONSTITUENTS WE
18 REPRESENT. IT'S A VERY HARD THING TO WORK THROUGH BECAUSE WE
19 HAVE A RESPONSIBILITY, AS FIRST RESPONDERS, BUT YET WE HAVE TO
20 PROTECT THE HEALTH OF OUR OWN CONSTITUENTS. SO HOPEFULLY THIS
21 IS A VERY -- BETTER THAN A VERY GOOD START, THAT WE GET SOME
22 RESOLUTION AT THE END. SO I WOULD SUPPORT THE MOTION, AS WELL,
23 TOO.

24

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ANY COMMENTS? ANY OBJECTIONS? SO
2 ORDERED. THANK YOU. THANK YOU, SHERIFF. THANK YOU, CHIEF. ITEM
3 51 DEALING WITH THE ANIMAL CARE AND CONTROL. AND WE HAD THE
4 AMENDMENT THAT WE'VE PUT ON THE TABLE. SO IF WE HAD TWO PEOPLE
5 TO SPEAK ON IT. ERIC PREVEN AND ARNOLD SACHS.

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** ON ANIMAL CONTROL VERY QUICKLY. AGAIN I
8 REITERATE THE ANIMAL CONTROL DEPARTMENT CAN DO A REVIEW OF ITS
9 FACILITIES, CERTAINLY OTHER DEPARTMENTS CAN DO A REVIEW OF
10 FACILITIES AND IT WOULD BE MONEY SAVING, THEN, TO GIVE THE
11 MONEY TO AECOM TO DO AN OVERALL FACILITY CHECK. AND, AGAIN, AS
12 I SAID EARLIER, YOUR CONCERNS ABOUT THE HOUSING OF THE ANIMALS
13 IS QUITE SOMEWHAT NOBLE AFTER YEARS OF PROBABLY NEGLECT AND
14 SHOESTRING BUDGETS AND THE ABILITY TO DELIVER SERVICE BECAUSE
15 I BELIEVE EVEN LAST YEAR'S BUDGET, WHEN MR. FUJIOKA PRESENTED
16 HIS LAST BUDGET, YOU MENTIONED SOMETHING TO THE EFFECT THAT NO
17 CUTBACKS, NO ELIMINATIONS OF THIS, THAT AND THE OTHER THING.
18 BUT HE HAPPENED TO MENTION THAT 2,100 FUNDED UNFILLED
19 POSITIONS WERE ELIMINATED. SO WHEN YOU TALK BUDGETS AND THE
20 NUMBERS THAT YOU THROW AROUND, YOU CAN BALANCE YOUR BUDGET BY
21 ELIMINATING 21 [SIC] UNFILLED, FUNDED POSITIONS, IT SHOWS THAT
22 YOU HAVE A LITTLE BIT OF MONEY IN YOUR CHECKING ACCOUNT. AS I
23 SAID EARLIER, BECAUSE I DIDN'T KNOW I WOULD BE CALLED UP ON
24 THIS, CONCERNS ABOUT THE FACILITIES IS NOBLE. BUT HOUSING

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1 PRISONERS IN TWIN TOWERS? THAT'S A FACILITY THAT NEEDS TO BE
2 LOOKED AT ALSO. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. PREVEN? OKAY. WE HAVE A
5 MOTION BY -- MOVED AND SECONDED BY SUPERVISOR SOLIS. WITHOUT
6 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SHEILA, YOU HAD 52?

7

8 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. THE ITEM NO. 52 RECOMMENDS
9 WAYS THAT WE COULD IMPLEMENT AND IN THE BUDGET WE DID ADOPT
10 SOME NEW POSITIONS ABOUT PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES WHICH IN OUR
11 JANUARY MEETING WE VOTED TO ASK TO ACCOMPANY SOCIAL WORKERS
12 AND TO DO KIND OF A PILOT PROJECT STARTING IN TWO OF OUR
13 D.C.F.S. OFFICES. SO IT'S THE BOARD-REQUESTED REPORT BACK ON
14 THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ON CHILD PROTECTION RECOMMENDATION
15 TO PAIR PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES WITH A CHILD SOCIAL WORKER WE'RE
16 CONDUCTING CHILD ABUSE OR NEGLECT INVESTIGATIONS FOR CHILDREN
17 UP TO AGE 1. AND WE EXPANDED IT FOR CHILDREN UP TO AGE 2. SO
18 THE INDICATION IS THAT IN THE REPORT BACK, THE DEPARTMENT
19 RECOMMENDS THAT FOR TWO D.C.F.S. OFFICES IN THE COMPTON AND
20 VERMONT CORRIDOR, IT WOULD TAKE POTENTIALLY 27 FULL-TIME
21 POSITIONS, INCLUDING 20 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES AT A POTENTIAL
22 COST OF \$3.7 MILLION OR MORE. AND THAT WOULD BE 100 PERCENT
23 COUNTY FUNDING. NOW, OBVIOUSLY IF WE APPLIED THAT TO THE OTHER
24 17 D.C.F.S. OFFICES, AS GOOD OF AN IDEA AS IT MIGHT BE FULLY
25 DONE, THE FULL COST WOULD BE POTENTIALLY OVER \$40 MILLION A

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1 YEAR. AND IF EACH OFFICE TOOK 10 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES,
2 EXPANDING IT TO THE REMAINING 17 WOULD REQUIRE 170 ADDITIONAL
3 NURSES. WHAT WE WERE TOLD IN JANUARY WHEN MR. BROWNING
4 REPORTED TO US WHAT MIGHT BE NEEDED WAS AN ESTIMATE OF 80
5 PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES. SO I GUESS THE QUESTION, IF I MAY, TO
6 MISS DAVENPORT, JUST TWO QUESTIONS ABOUT THE INITIAL ROLL OUT
7 WHICH WE'VE APPROACHED, WHEN DO WE EXPECT TO ROLLOUT TO THE
8 TWO INITIAL D.C.F.S. OFFICES?

9

10 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THOUGH WE ARE ANTICIPATING A JULY 1ST, 2015
11 ROLLOUT. AND THAT WOULD INCLUDE TWO D.C.F.S. REGIONAL OFFICES
12 AS WELL AS THE EMERGENCY RESPONSE COMMAND POST OPERATION FOR
13 AFTER HOURS, NIGHTS AND WEEKENDS.

14

15 **SUP. KUEHL:** AND DID THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION EVALUATE
16 ANY OTHER STAFFING MODELS IN DESIGNING THE JOINT PROGRAM?

17

18 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** YES, SUPERVISOR. SO THE OFFICE OF CHILD
19 PROTECTION WORKED CLOSELY WITH D.C.F.S. WE LOOKED AT SEVERAL
20 STAFFING CONFIGURATIONS AND STAFFING MODELS AND CONSIDERING
21 THE NEED TO COVER AFTER HOURS AND WEEKENDS AND ALSO TO ALLOW
22 NURSES THE TIME TO DO FOLLOW-UP WITH FAMILIES, WE SUPPORTED
23 THIS PARTICULAR MODEL. AND THAT'S THE MODEL THAT'S INCLUDED IN
24 THE REPORT.

25

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1 **SUP. KUEHL:** SO, IS THERE A TIMEFRAME FOR THE OFFICE OF CHILD
2 PROTECTION, DEVELOPING A PLAN TO SCALE UP THE PUBLIC HEALTH
3 NURSE C.S.W. JOINT VISIT PROGRAM FOR THE OTHER 17 OFFICES

4

5 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO THE ANSWER IS YES. WHAT THE INTENT WAS WAS
6 TO DO A PHASED-IN APPROACH TO THIS INITIATIVE SO THAT WE CAN
7 LEARN WHAT WE DON'T KNOW IN TERMS OF BOOTS ON THE GROUND
8 IMPLEMENTATION FOR PHASE 1. I WOULD ANTICIPATE THAT AT THE
9 VERY LEAST PHASE 1 WOULD LAST PROBABLY 3 TO 4 MONTHS. AND THAT
10 AS WE ARE IMPLEMENTING, WE ARE TWEAKING AND MAKING MORE
11 SPECIFIC IDENTIFYING THE NEED FOR PHASE 2 AND THE SUBSEQUENT
12 PHASES.

13

14 **SUP. KUEHL:** WELL, I THINK YOU KNOW I WAS VERY SUPPORTIVE OF
15 THE PAIRING OF PUBLIC HEALTH NURSES WITH SOCIAL WORKERS FOR
16 THESE VISITS. I THINK IT'S AN EXTREMELY IMPORTANT THING TO DO.
17 I JUST FEEL THAT WE NEED A LITTLE MORE INFORMATION OR MAYBE A
18 LOT MORE INFORMATION ABOUT WHAT EXACTLY WE'RE GOING TO ROLL
19 OUT, WHAT EXACTLY IT WILL COST, KIND OF WHAT THE PLAN IS
20 BECAUSE IT'S -- OBVIOUSLY WE HAVE TO EVALUATE HOW QUICKLY WE
21 CAN ROLL OUT BASED UPON WHAT THE PLAN AND COST IS. SO I HAVE A
22 MOTION TO PRESENT ON THIS MATTER WHICH I THINK HAS BEEN
23 DISTRIBUTED. "I THEREFORE MOVE THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS DIRECT
24 THE INTERIM CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER THE INTERIM DIRECTOR OF
25 THE OFFICE OF CHILD PRO TENSION, AND THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN

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1 AND FAMILY SERVICES TO PROVIDE US A REPORT IN 30 DAYS THAT: 1.
2 PROVIDES AN ANALYSIS OF STAFFING LEVELS, BUDGET REQUIRED AND
3 RESOURCES AVAILABLE TO EXPAND THE PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE CLINICAL
4 SOCIAL WORKER JOINT VISIT PROGRAM USING SOME KIND OF UNIFORM
5 STAFFING MODEL TO THE REMAINING 17 D.C.F.S. OFFICES; AND, 2.
6 EVALUATES THE POTENTIAL FOR AND PROVIDES EXAMPLES OF. MORE
7 FLEXIBLE AND MORE FOCUSED DESIGN STAFF DEPLOYMENT WHILE STILL
8 MAINTAINING THE COUNTY'S FOCUS ON CHILD SAFETY." THAT'S MY
9 MOTION.

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KNABE HAD A QUESTION.

12

13 **SUP. KNABE:** I'LL SECOND THE MOTION. OBVIOUSLY I STRONGLY
14 SUPPORT THIS PROGRAM, BUT I GUESS I ASSUME IN THE REPORT
15 COMING BACK IF WE STAFF UP TO THIS AND WE FIND THAT WE DON'T
16 NEED THAT, HOW DO WE BACK IT DOWN?

17

18 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** SO I THINK THE ANSWER TO THAT IS ONE OF THE
19 BENEFITS OF DOING A PHASED-IN APPROACH IS THAT YOU WOULD NOT -
20 - THE COUNTY WOULD NOT HIRE ALL OF THE NURSES THAT WE WOULD
21 PROPOSE FOR THE ENTIRE COUNTY-WIDE ROLLOUT. WE WOULD NOT HIRE
22 THEM ALL AT ONE TIME. SO THE BENEFIT OF A PHASED-IN APPROACH
23 IS THAT WE WOULD BE ABLE TO HIRE -- OR D.C.F.S. WOULD BE ABLE
24 TO HIRE AS THE NEED ARISES AND AS EACH PHASE OCCURS.

25

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1 **SUP. KNABE:** SO AT SOME POINT YOU MAY NOT NEED THE ULTIMATE
2 NUMBER OF NURSES THAT YOU PROJECTED?

3

4 **FESIA DAVENPORT:** THAT IS CORRECT. SO IT'S THE PROCESS THAT
5 ALLOWS US TO TRUE UP THE NUMBERS AS WE MOVE ALONG.

6

7 **SUP. KNABE:** I SECOND THE MOTION.

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND THEN HAVE THE C.E.O. AND THE
10 OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION PROVIDE A REPORT BACK WITHIN 90
11 DAYS OF THE ACTUAL LAUNCH OF THE PROGRAM WHICH IDENTIFIES THE
12 OUTCOME OF THE MEASUREMENTS AND INDICATORS OF CHILD SAFETY FOR
13 THE BOARD TO REVIEW.

14

15 **SUP. KUEHL:** MY MOTION WAS TO INCLUDE D.C.F.S. AND IT WAS A 30
16 DAY.

17

18 **SUP. KNABE:** 30 DAY.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. 30 DAYS.

21

22 **SUP. KUEHL:** WE DON'T WANT TO LEAVE MR. BROWNING OUT.
23 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS?

24

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR.
2 COMPLIMENTS TO SUPERVISOR KUEHL IN TERMS OF OUR DOING MORE TO
3 ADVANCE THE WORK OF THE BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION ACKNOWLEDGMENTS
4 TO LEADERSHIP IN PLACE AT THE OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION. MS.
5 DAVENPORT, THANK YOU FOR WHAT YOU ARE DOING TO MOVE THAT
6 FORWARD. I THINK WE'RE FOCUSING ON SMALL CHILDREN LESS THAN
7 TWO YEARS OF AGE. WHO ARE THE LEAST ABLE TO DEFEND THEMSELVES
8 AND WE'RE TALKING ABOUT WHAT WE REALLY WANT TO DO TO HELP IN
9 THIS INSTANCE SUPERVISOR CAN YOU PLEASE'S MOTION -- SUPERVISOR
10 KUEHL'S MOTION IT SEEMS THAT WE CAN DO THAT THE BEST WAY WE
11 CAN. I SIMPLY WANT TO OFFER A MOTION THAT AMENDS IT TO PROVIDE
12 AN ANALYSIS FOR BOTH D.C.F.S. AND D.P.H. NURSES ON STAFFING
13 LEVELS, EFFICIENCIES, BUDGET REQUIRED AND RESOURCES AVAILABLE
14 TO EXPAND THE D.P.H. AND C.S.W. JOINT VISIT PROGRAM USING A
15 UNIFORMED STAFFING MODEL TO THE REMAINING 17 D.C.F.S. OFFICES.
16 THIS IS IN LINE AND SPIRIT OF THE MOTION. AND I AM PLEASED TO
17 OFFER IT AND WITH THANKS TO SUPERVISOR KUEHL FOR HER
18 INITIATION IN MOVING THIS FORWARD.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE TWO SPEAKERS. NICOLE
21 PARSON IN LANCASTER AND ARNOLD SACHS IN LOS ANGELES. NICOLE?

22

23 **NICOLE PARSON:** HELLO. WELL, CAN I JUST TALK ABOUT THE PADS OF
24 THE OIL, ABSORBING PADS AND THE KEYSTONE PIPELINE? I THINK YOU
25 GUYS ARE TALKING ABOUT IT.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE'RE NOT ON OIL.

3

4 **NICOLE PARSON:** OH, OKAY.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. THANK YOU, NICOLE. MR. SACHS?

7

8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON AGAIN. ARNOLD
9 SACHS. I PULLED OUT TWO NEWSPAPER ARTICLES BECAUSE FOLLOWING
10 THIS BOARD AND ITS ACTIONS ON D.C.F.S. IS AN E-TICKET TO
11 DISNEYLAND. THIS IS AN ITEM FROM THE L.A. TIMES FROM DECEMBER
12 15, 2013 AND IT LISTS SOME STATISTICS THAT I'LL READ TO YOU.
13 15,000 CHILDREN, NUMBER OF CHILDREN IN PRIVATE FOSTER CARE
14 HOMES. \$1,870 AMOUNT THE STATE PAYS FOR EACH CHILD IN FOSTER
15 CARE, \$400 MILLION THE STATE PAYS ANNUALLY TO PRIVATE FOSTER
16 HOMES. 5,300 NUMBER OF WAIVERS GIVEN TO FOSTER CARE PARENTS
17 PREVIOUSLY CONVICTED OF CRIMES, 5,300. IS THE BOARD DOING
18 ANYTHING TO SEND LIKE A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO HAVE THE
19 STATE LIKE SLOW THAT ROLL DOWN? LOWER THAT NUMBER DOWN? GET IT
20 DOWN TO LIKE MAYBE ZERO? 500? SOMETHING? BECAUSE IT SEEMS TO
21 ME IN THE ARTICLES' REPORT THAT A LOT OF CHILDREN GET INJURED
22 IN HOMES WHERE PARENTS ARE CONVICTED FELONS. WHAT ARE YOU
23 DOING ABOUT THAT? AND THIS IS ANOTHER PART OF THIS BECAUSE IT
24 TALKS ABOUT SOMEBODY WHO IS WORKING AT UNITED CARE WORKER. AND
25 SHE'S WORKING AT TWO HOMES. STATE LAW STATES THAT THEY'RE

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1 SUPPOSED TO HAVE 15 FOSTER CHILDREN AT ONE TIME. AND THIS
2 PARTICULAR WORKER IS WORKING AT TWO DIFFERENT HOMES. SO SHE'S
3 GOT MORE THAN THE NUMBER OF CHILDREN, WAY MORE THAN AT ONE
4 HOME AND SHE'S GOT EMPLOYMENT AT A SECOND HOME. IS THE COUNTY
5 LOOKING INTO THAT DOUBLE DIPPING BY THE SOCIAL WORKERS WHO ARE
6 ACTUALLY DOING WORK AT TWO HOMES? HOW CAN THEY, IF THEY CAN'T
7 SEE PEOPLE AT ONE HOME, HOW CAN THEY DO TWO PEOPLE AT TWO
8 HOMES? AND YOUR AMENDMENT FOR CHILDREN UNDER 1? WHAT ABOUT THE
9 CHILDREN 2 THROUGH 13 OR 2 THROUGH 15 THAT ARE NOT
10 EMANCIPATED? HOW DO THEY GET HELP?

11

12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. OKAY. WE HAVE A MOTION AS
13 AMENDED. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. JACKIE LACEY IS ON
14 ITEM 38, DISTRICT ATTORNEY. SUPERVISOR KNABE? 38? JACKIE
15 LACEY?

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** IN THE BOARD LETTER, IT SAYS THAT THE NEW GRANTS
18 IN PROVIDING SERVICES TO THE VICTIMS OF HUMAN TRAFFICKING WITH
19 AN EMPHASIS ON MINORS. OBVIOUSLY WE AS A BOARD AND OTHERS AND
20 YOU, AS WELL, HAVE BEEN VERY SUPPORTIVE, HAVE AN INTEREST IN
21 THE CSEC PIECE OF THIS AS IT RELATES TO SEX TRAFFICKING. SO
22 MAYBE YOU CAN EXPLAIN THE PROTOCOLS OR HOW THE PROGRAM WORKS
23 SO THAT WE MAKE SURE THAT THE CSEC PIECE IS INVOLVED, TOO?

24

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1 **JACKIE LACEY:** OKAY. I BROUGHT WITH ME DONNA WILLS WHO IS, AS I
2 PREVIOUSLY INTRODUCED HER, SHE'S THE DIRECTOR OF VICTIM
3 WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM AND SHE WOULD HAVE THOSE KINDS OF
4 DETAILS.

5

6 **DONNA WILLS:** GOOD MORNING. IT'S ALREADY AFTERNOON. YES. THE
7 HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIM ADVOCACY PROGRAM, WE'RE VERY EXCITED
8 ABOUT THIS FUNDING OPPORTUNITY FROM THE STATE. IT WOULD GIVE
9 US THE OPPORTUNITY TO AUGMENT AND PROVIDE FOR SPECIALIZED
10 ADVOCACY PROGRAM WITHIN THE VICTIM WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM.
11 AS YOU KNOW, OUR PROGRAM IS THE MAJOR PROVIDER OF VICTIMS
12 SERVICES IN THE COUNTY. AND WHAT WE WILL DO WITH THIS PROGRAM,
13 IT GIVES US AN OPPORTUNITY TO HIRE THREE VICTIMS SERVICE
14 REPRESENTATIVES TO SPECIALIZE IN PROVIDING COMPREHENSIVE
15 SERVICES TO CRIME VICTIMS WHO ARE VICTIMS OF HUMAN
16 TRAFFICKING. NOW, THE GRANT DOES REQUIRE THAT WE PROVIDE
17 SERVICES NOT ONLY TO SEX TRADE VICTIMS BUT ALSO FORCED LABOR
18 VICTIMS. THE GRANT ALSO MANDATES THAT WE PROVIDE SERVICES TO
19 MALES AND FEMALES AND ADULTS AND CHILDREN. WE'VE DIVIDED THE
20 COUNTY INTO THREE DIFFERENT AREAS TO MATCH WHERE WE THINK THE
21 PROBLEMS, WHAT WE CALL HOT SPOTS FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING: SOUTH
22 COUNTY, COMPTON, LONG BEACH, EAST COUNTY, POMONA, NORWALK
23 AREA, SAN FERNANDO, AND ALONG CENTRAL, THE FIGUEROA CORRIDOR.
24 WE HAVE THREE VICTIM ADVOCATES ASSIGNED TO EACH OF THOSE AREAS

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1 TO ADDRESS THE HUMAN TRAFFICKING, BOTH SEX TRADE AND FORCED
2 LABOR.

3

4 **JACKIE LACEY:** YOU HAD A SPECIFIC QUESTION, THOUGH, RIGHT?

5

6 **SUP. KNABE:** AS YOU KNOW, YOU HAVE BEEN PART OF THIS. WE HAVE
7 THE FIRST RESPONDER PROTOCOLS IN PLACE RIGHT NOW, PARTICULARLY
8 IN COMPTON AND NORTH LONG BEACH. THAT REALLY COORDINATES THE
9 LAW ENFORCEMENT AND SERVICE PROVIDERS ALONG WITH D.C.F.S. AND
10 PROBATION. I WAS JUST CURIOUS HOW THIS ALL SORT OF MELTS INTO
11 THAT AS WELL AS INTO THE STAR COURT?

12

13 **DONNA WILLS:** YES. THE GRANT REQUIRES THAT OUR ADVOCATES WORK
14 CLOSELY WITH ANTIHUMAN TRAFFICKING AGENCIES BOTH IN THE
15 CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM AND COMMUNITY BASED. SO WE LOOK
16 FORWARD TO WORKING WITH LONG-STANDING SERVICE PROVIDER
17 PARTNERSHIPS AS WELL AS ESTABLISHING NEW PARTNERSHIPS IN THE
18 ANTIHUMAN TRAFFICKING AREA.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** SO AS WE PROVIDE THOSE WRAPAROUND SERVICES INSIDE
21 THE STAR COURTROOM AT THE DEDICATED SERVICES, WOULD ONE OF
22 THESE ADVOCATES BE PART OF THIS GRANT BE INVOLVED IN THAT, BE
23 ONE OF THE WRAPAROUNDS?

24

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1 **DONNA WILLIS:** ABSOLUTELY. WE HAVE AN ADVOCATE SIGNED TO THE
2 LONG BEACH-COMPTON AREA IN THIS COUNTY SO SHE IS ALREADY
3 MAKING THOSE CONTACTS, MAKING INROADS INTO THE AREA TO MAKE
4 SURE THAT THE SERVICE PROVIDERS AS WELL AS ANY OF THE OTHER
5 PARTNERS INVOLVED IN ANY HUMAN TRAFFICKING KNOWS THE SERVICES
6 THAT SHE HAS TO OFFER.

7

8 **SUP. KNABE:** GREAT. THANK YOU. THOSE ARE MY QUESTIONS. THANK
9 YOU.

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH FOR ALL THE GOOD WORK. GLAD TO
12 SEE YOU PRAISED THIS MORNING. TOTALLY DESERVED. IF I MAY,
13 MADAME DISTRICT ATTORNEY, MY QUESTION TO BOTH OF YOU IS ABOUT
14 THE SERVICES THAT ARE PROVIDED TO THOSE WHO ARE -- THIS IS NOT
15 JUST MINORS, BUT ADULTS WHO ARE VICTIMS OR ALLEGED VICTIMS OF
16 SEX TRAFFICKING. WHEN WE WERE EXPERIENCING A LOT OF THIS
17 TRAFFICKING HAVING TO DO WITH WOMEN BEING BROUGHT IN FROM
18 OTHER COUNTRIES, THE KINDS OF SERVICES THAT WE WERE HOPING TO
19 PROVIDE WERE ALSO HELPING THEM TO GET SOME AMNESTY, YOU KNOW,
20 TO REALLY SORT OF EXTENSIVE SERVICES BUT ALSO TO BE ABLE TO
21 ACCESS HELP IN FINDING HOUSING, HELP IN FINDING MEDICAL
22 TREATMENT, ET CETERA. SO NOW THAT WE'RE EXPERIENCING SO MANY
23 OF OUR OWN LOCAL GIRLS BEING TRAFFICKED, WHAT KIND OF SERVICES
24 ARE WE ABLE TO CONNECT THEM WITH THROUGH THIS PROGRAM, THROUGH
25 YOUR PROGRAM?

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1

2 **DONNA WILLS:** WELL, THE VICTIM WITNESS ASSISTANCE PROGRAM HAS A
3 LIST OF ABOUT 27 SERVICES THAT WE PROVIDE. WE ARE MOSTLY THE
4 FIRST POINT OF CONTACT FOR REFERRING TO OTHER AGENCIES. WE DO
5 NOT DO LONG-TERM COUNSELING, LONG-TERM SERVICES. BUT WE
6 PROVIDE COMPENSATION FILING ASSISTANCE, CRISIS INTERVENTION.
7 AND WE ARE THE COORDINATOR OF SERVICES FOR OTHER SERVICE
8 PROVIDERS THROUGHOUT THE COUNTY. AND AS I SAID, WE -- THIS IS
9 OUR OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE SURE THAT CRIME VICTIMS ARE LINKED
10 WITH ALL THE SERVICES THAT ARE AVAILABLE. AND WE BECOME THE
11 CATALYST TO MAKE SURE THAT THEY GET THOSE SERVICES.

12

13 **JACKIE LACEY:** AND IF I COULD ADD, SUPERVISOR KUEHL, TO WHAT
14 DIRECTOR WILLS SAID, SO LAST YEAR, FIRST OF ALL, YOU SHOULD
15 KNOW THAT WE ALL KNOW EACH OTHER. SO, FOR INSTANCE, WE HAVE
16 THE FIRST STEP PROGRAM AND THE STAR COURT, WE'RE NOT IN
17 COMPETITION, THAT WAS A FRAUDIAN SLIP. WE'RE IN COOPERATION
18 WITH EACH OTHER AND OFTEN TALK AND COLLABORATE. BUT WHAT WE
19 DISCOVERED WHEN WE OFFERED A LOT OF THESE GIRLS A WAY OFF THE
20 STREETS IS THAT IT WAS TOO MUCH TO SAY "GO CALL THIS PERSON
21 FOR THIS SERVICE OR GO CALL THAT PERSON." IT HELPS IF THEY
22 JUST HAVE ONE PERSON, ONE -- AND THAT'S WHAT THE VICTIM
23 ADVOCATE DOES. I DON'T WANT TO SAY THE VICTIM ADVOCATE IS LIKE
24 A SURROGATE PARENT, BUT IN SOME SENSE, THAT'S THE FIRST POINT
25 OF CONTACT AND THEY CAN QUICKLY GET THEM THROUGH AND NAVIGATE

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1 THEM THROUGH FINDING COUNSELING, FOOD, CLOTHING. IF THEY'RE
2 MINORS, MANY OF THEM CAN'T RETURN HOME. YOU MENTIONED ALSO
3 ABOUT THE SERVICES WHERE WE PROVIDE PEOPLE WHO ARE NOT FROM
4 THIS COUNTRY. WE RECENTLY HAD A SITUATION WHICH WE RESOLVED I
5 THINK VERY FAVORABLY WHERE ONE OF THE VICTIMS OF SEX
6 TRAFFICKING RETURNED HOME TO HER MOTHER WHO WAS VERY
7 SUPPORTIVE, BUT HER MOTHER NEEDED A U.V. TO STAY IN THIS
8 COUNTRY OR SHE WAS GOING TO BE DEPORTED. WE ELECTED TO FIGHT
9 FOR THIS MOTHER BECAUSE IT RESULTED IN OUR OPINION IT WAS A
10 KEY LINK IN THIS CHILD REMAINING OFF THIS SEX TRAFFICKING
11 TRADE IF THAT MOTHER WAS HERE IN THE COUNTRY. SO IT'S A MYRIAD
12 OF SERVICES. DIRECTOR WILLS IS RIGHT. THERE'S LIKE 23, 24. BUT
13 IT MAKES IT EASIER FOR HUMAN TRAFFICKING VICTIMS NOT TO BE
14 TEMPTED TO GO BACK TO THAT OLD LIFESTYLE. IF THEY JUST HAVE
15 ONE PERSON TO CALL. SO WE'RE ACTIVELY LOOKING FOR GRANTS. IT
16 TURNS OUT HUMAN TRAFFICKING, AS IS MENTAL HEALTH, IS SUCH A
17 HOT ISSUE RIGHT NOW, IT'S IN THE INTEREST OF SO MANY PEOPLE,
18 AND SO WE'RE REALLY MINING THE FIELD LOOKING FOR GRANTS TO
19 HELP WITH THIS BECAUSE WHEN WE WERE CONFRONTED WITH MANY OF
20 THE GIRLS COMING OFF THE STREET, WE HAD TO USE D.A.S. AND SOME
21 OF DONNA'S STAFF WHO QUITE FRANKLY, WEREN'T REALLY TRAINED OR
22 EQUIPPED TO DO A LOT OF COORDINATING. SO NOW WE'RE CATCHING UP
23 TO THE NEED. AND BY YOU ALL AGREEING TO SIGN OFF ON THIS, IT
24 WILL ALLOW US TO GET \$150,000 THAT WE DIDN'T HAVE FOR THIS
25 SERVICE.

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1

2 **DONNA WILLS:** THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** NICOLE PARSON IN LANCASTER.

5

6 **NICOLE PARSON:** HELLO. I JUST WANTED TO SAY IS, UM, UM, PART OF
7 THE BUDGET IS BECAUSE, UM, I WAS WONDERING IF, UM, I COULD GET
8 LIKE, UM, AN ALLOCATION FOR THAT BECAUSE, OKAY, UM, BECAUSE
9 THE PRINTER IS, LIKE, SORT OF BACKLOGGED BECAUSE MY RESOURCES
10 AND I JUST WANTED TO SEE IF YOU COULD PUT ME IN THERE ONE WAY.
11 BUT, UM, BECAUSE THIS PROGRAM, I'M NOT GOING TO COME FOR A
12 COUPLE WEEKS BECAUSE I HAVE SOME STUFF TO DO TO, UM, WORK, TO
13 FINISH THE STUFF THAT I WAS DOING HERE, BUT, UM, I REALIZE,
14 UM, IN THE LAST COUPLE WEEKS, UM, IN THE LAST WEEK THAT I WAS
15 GETTING SOME STUFF TOGETHER IS THERE'S A PARAMEDIC AMBULANCE
16 AND A FIRE TRUCK. AND THOSE ARE ONLY THE REAL THREE FUNCTIONS
17 THAT OUR GOVERNMENT STRUCTURE SHOULD HAVE FOR THE, UM -- I
18 KNOW WE'RE TAKING OBAMA CARE AND PUBLIC SAFETY, BUT, UM, IT'S
19 NOT THAT AND IT'S GOING TO DRAIN ALL OF OUR BUDGETS. AND SO I
20 WAS JUST THINKING LIKE THE PUBLIC SAFETY, UM, COULD BE THE
21 MUNICIPALITY AND THE NURSES COULD BE THE COUNTY AND THE
22 PROTECTION COULD BE THE FEDERAL PORTIONS, UM AND WE JUST CAN'T
23 KEEP CLOSING, UM, LIKE CHILDCARE OR VICTIMS, CHILDREN OF
24 TRAFFICKING, UM, THERE'S A WIDE VARIETY THAT THERE'S A

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1 DEFICIENCY IN THE LIABILITY. SO THAT'S IT. AND WE WILL SEE
2 AGAIN AND I'M NOT COMING BECAUSE I KNOW I'M NOT CONFUSED.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, NICOLE. ARNOLD SACHS. 1-2
5 COMBINATION.

6

7 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, ARNOLD SACHS. IT'S UNFORTUNATE
8 THAT THE PEOPLE LEFT, JACKIE LACEY AND THE WOMAN MAKING THE
9 PRESENTATION, BUT CORRECT ME IF I'M WRONG, BECAUSE I'VE BEEN
10 WRONG BEFORE, AND YOU HAVE CORRECTED ME, WHICH IS OKAY, SHE
11 SAID SOMETHING ABOUT A GRANT FROM THE STATE. AND SHE MENTIONED
12 IT WAS FOR THREE VICTIM ADVOCATES. BUT THEN SHE WENT AROUND
13 AND THE WOMAN MAKING THE PRESENTATION SAID THAT WE HAVE AN
14 OFFICE HERE AND AN OFFICE IN ANOTHER COMMUNITY AND AN OFFICE
15 IN ANOTHER COMMUNITY AND AN OFFICE IN ANOTHER COMMUNITY AND AN
16 OFFICE IN ANOTHER COMMUNITY AND SHE MENTIONED THAT THREE
17 VICTIM ADVOCATES IN EACH ONE OF THOSE OFFICES, WHICH IS NOT
18 THE SAME THING AS SAYING THREE VICTIM ADVOCATES, THE GRANT
19 FROM THE STATE WOULD COVER THREE VICTIM ADVOCATES. IT SOUNDED
20 MORE LIKE 21, COULD BE 21, COULD BE 24 VICTIM ADVOCATES. AND
21 THE REASON I CAUGHT THAT, CAME TO ME BECAUSE YOU JUST DID A
22 DISCUSSION ABOUT NURSES IN ONE OFFICE. AND RAMPING UP THE
23 PROGRAM TO GO TO OTHERS, 17 OTHER OFFICES. SO IF YOU HAVE 17
24 OTHER OFFICES FOR NURSES, THEN YOU'D PROBABLY WANT 17 VICTIM
25 ADVOCATES. OH, THIS IS D.C.F.S. WITH THE NURSING PROGRAM, BUT

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1 THIS IS TRAFFICKING. AND YOU'D THINK THERE IS A CORRELATION
2 BECAUSE WE JUST BROUGHT THAT UP BETWEEN THE STATE'S WAIVER OF
3 CRIMINAL RECORDS FOR FOSTER PARENTS AND STATE LICENSED HOMES
4 AND TRAFFICKING OF FOSTER YOUTH. YOU THINK THERE'S ANY KIND OF
5 CORRELATION BETWEEN THAT? AND DO YOU THINK MAYBE YOU OUGHT TO
6 LOOK INTO THAT? DO YOU THINK THAT'S SOMETHING THAT THE COUNTY
7 ATTORNEY, JACKIE LACEY, MIGHT PUT HER HANDS AROUND AND TAKE A
8 BITE OUT OF THERE? OR MAYBE, AGAIN, LIKE I MENTIONED, YOU
9 MIGHT SEND A FIVE-SIGNATURE LETTER TO SOME OF THE STATE
10 LEGISLATORS, ALTHOUGH WE HAVE A WONDERFUL EXAMPLE OF SOME OF
11 THE PREVIOUS STATE LEGISLATORS SITTING RIGHT HERE AND WORK
12 THEY DID ON THAT PROGRAM.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE A MOTION, A SECOND.
15 WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. 42, SHERIFF MCDONNELL AND
16 ASSISTANT SHERIFF? SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS? ITEM 42?

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR AND SHERIFF AND THE
19 QUESTION THAT IS OF CONCERN IS THAT WITH THIS ITEM, THERE IS A
20 REQUEST FOR 2.1 MILLION FOR 77 NEW FULL-TIME POSITIONS. THESE
21 POSITIONS ARE INTENDED TO ENABLE THE COUNTY TO IMPROVE MENTAL
22 HEALTH AND SUICIDE PREVENTION SERVICES IN THE COUNTY JAILS AS
23 WELL AS COMPLY WITH ROSAS. I STRONGLY SUPPORT COMPLIANCE WITH
24 ROSAS. THERE'S NO OBJECTION THAT I'VE HEARD FROM ANYONE OF
25 CONSEQUENCE ON THAT MATTER. THE BOARD HAS MOVED FORWARD THIS

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1 AGENDA, THE SHERIFF HAS STEPPED APPROPRIATELY AS WELL AS THE
2 EFFORTS TO DRAMATICALLY IMPROVE MENTAL HEALTH AND SUICIDE
3 PREVENTION IN OUR JAILS. AND I THINK IT'S RECOGNIZED THAT WE
4 HAVE A FAIR AMOUNT OF WORK TO CAUSE THAT TO HAPPEN. NO SECRET
5 TO THAT CONNECTION. I HAVE SOME QUESTIONS, HOWEVER, BECAUSE
6 THE PROPOSED POSITIONS DID NOT SOUND CLINICAL IN NATURE. I
7 DON'T KNOW HOW YOU GET TO THE FUNDAMENTAL CHALLENGE AND/OR THE
8 CRISIS ITSELF THAT ENVELOPES THOSE WHO ARE MENTALLY ILL,
9 MENTALLY DISTURBED, NEED TREATMENT. THEY NEED TREATMENT. AND
10 SO THE QUESTION WOULD BE RELATED TO THE SHERIFF AND THE
11 C.E.O., IF THEY CARE TO WEIGH IN, TO TALK WITH SOME
12 SPECIFICITY ABOUT WHAT POSITIONS ARE DESIGNED TO ADDRESS THE
13 IMPROVEMENT OF THE MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES AND SUICIDE
14 PREVENTION? AND I'M SPECIFICALLY CONCERNED ABOUT THE
15 CLINICIANS. TELL US ABOUT THESE POSITIONS, HOW THEY WILL HELP
16 IN TERMS OF THAT CRISIS. THAT'S THE THRUST OF MY CONCERN. AND
17 IF WE DON'T HAVE CLINICIANS ON POINT, I WANT TO KNOW WHY AND
18 WHAT WE SEEK TO DO ABOUT THAT.

19

20 **SHERIFF JIM MCDONNELL:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR, ASSISTANT
21 SHERIFF TERRI MCDONALD CAN TALK TO THAT WITH MORE SPECIFICITY
22 AS TO YOUR QUESTION SO I'LL KICK IT OVER TO HER.

23

24 **ASST. SHERIFF TERRI MCDONALD:** GOOD AFTERNOON SIR, MEMBERS OF
25 THE BOARD. THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT HAD SUBMITTED A REQUEST AT

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1 THE DIRECTION OF THE BOARD TO GET MOVING AHEAD WITH REFORMS
2 WITHOUT DELAY. WE'RE DOING IT IN PARTNERSHIP WITH D.M.H.
3 THEY'RE SUBMITTING THEIR OWN CLINICAL NEEDS BUT I THINK THEIR
4 REQUEST IS A FEW WEEKS BEHIND OURS. WITHIN THIS REQUEST, THERE
5 ARE POSITIONS THAT ACTUALLY SUPPLEMENT EXISTING CLINICAL
6 STAFF. SO IF I CAN TURN YOU TO EXAMPLE TO PAGE 4, IT SAYS JAIL
7 MENTAL HEALTH PEOPLE, 10 POSITIONS, THAT TEAM IS A GROUP OF
8 PEOPLE THAT WALKS IN THE HOUSING UNITS WITH THE CLINICIANS TO
9 MAKE SURE THAT THE CLINICIANS GET ACCESS TO MENTAL HEALTH
10 INMATES. THE ONE BELOW THAT THE OUT OF CELL LIEUTENANTS. THE
11 LIEUTENANTS' JOB IS MAKING SURE THE DEPUTIES ARE GETTING
12 INMATES OUT FOR CLINICIANS. I DON'T WANT YOU TO FEEL AS THOUGH
13 THIS IS BEING DONE IN A SILOED WAY BECAUSE IT ISN'T.

14

15 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL IT WOULD COME TO US IN A
16 COMPARTMENTALIZED MANNER. AND PART OF MY REASON FOR SUGGESTING
17 OR REQUESTING A TWO-WEEK CONTINUANCE WAS SO THAT WE COULD LOOK
18 AT IT MORE HOLISTICALLY RATHER THAN NOT. PART OF OUR CHALLENGE
19 IS PRECISELY WHAT YOU IDENTIFIED; NAMELY, IT'S SILOED, IT'S
20 COMPARTMENTALIZED. AND UNDER SUCH CIRCUMSTANCES TWO THINGS
21 HAPPEN THAT ARE PREDICTABLE, THE FIRST IS WE WILL SPEND MORE
22 THAN WE NEED TO SPEND. AND, SECONDLY, WE WILL NOT ACCOMPLISH
23 ALL THAT WE NEED TO ACCOMPLISH IN TERMS OF MAXIMIZING THE
24 PROVISION OF SERVICES THAT THE PERSONS WHO WE OSTENSIBLY SEEK
25 TO HELP CAN REALIZE. AND SO TO HAVE THIS PIECE MOVE FORWARD,

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1 WHICH IS UNDOUBTEDLY IMPORTANT, AND THEN TO HAVE ANOTHER PIECE
2 COME RELATED TO IT A COUPLE WEEKS DOWN THE ROAD, MR. MAYOR,
3 MEMBERS OF THE BOARD, IT WOULD IT SEEM TO ME IN THE INTEREST
4 OF MANAGING THIS IN A MORE HOLISTIC, COORDINATED, PROGRAMMATIC
5 MANNER, THERE SHOULD BE A JOINT REPORT FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF
6 MENTAL HEALTH AS WELL AS FROM THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO SHOW
7 US WHAT THE COMPLIMENT ARTICLES IS AND THEN HOW IT MAXIMIZES
8 THE OUTCOMES THAT WE SEEK TO ACHIEVE. THE REQUEST INITIALLY
9 WAS TO HAVE IT CONTINUED. IT SEEMS TO ME IT'S EVEN MORE CLEAR
10 THAT SUCH SHOULD BE THE CASE. BUT THOSE ARE THE -- THAT'S THE
11 THRUST OF WHAT I'M AFTER. WHAT DOES THE CLINICAL PIECE LOOK
12 LIKE? HOW DO THEY LINE UP? I DON'T SEE ANY REASON WHY THERE
13 SHOULDN'T BE ANY DELAY.

14

15 **ASST. SHERIFF TERRI MCDONALD:** I UNDERSTAND, MR. SUPERVISOR.
16 ONE OF THE CHALLENGES, HOWEVER, MANY OF THESE POSITIONS ARE
17 NOT D.O.J. POSITIONS, THEY ARE ROSAS POSITIONS. THE ROSAS
18 CONSENT DECREE REQUIRES A JULY 1ST ACTIVATION, WHICH MEANS
19 THERE IS VERY MUCH WORK WE NEED TO DO YESTERDAY AS IT RELATES
20 TO LESSON PLANS, TRAINING PLANS, INTERACTION WITH THE
21 MONITORS. AND SO DELAYED IMPLEMENTATION OF POSITIONS DELAYS
22 ACTIVATION. IT JUST MEANS IT'S DELAYED MONITORING. SO WE'RE
23 GOING TO CONTINUE TO PROVIDE TREATMENT AND ALL OF THAT, BUT
24 THAT'S THE REASON WHY WE'RE TRYING TO MOVE FORWARD. BUT I DO
25 UNDERSTAND YOUR CONCERN ABOUT AN INTEGRATED APPROACH.

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1

2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THE LANGUAGE OF INTEGRATION PRESUMABLY HAS
3 A LEVEL OF EFFICACY THAT ATTACHES TO IT THAT WE ALL EMBRACE.
4 IT IS ESSENTIALLY WHY WE ARE TRYING TO MAKE THE SUBSTANTIAL
5 REFORMS THAT WE ARE IN PURSUIT OF IN THE JAILS OVERALL WITH
6 RESPECT TO REORGANIZATION AND ULTIMATELY TRANSFORMATION SO
7 THAT THERE ARE BETTER OUTCOMES. I THINK THIS IS A MICROCOSM OF
8 THE VERY SAME THING AND I THINK WE OUGHT TO MODEL HOW THE WORK
9 SHOULD BE DONE TOGETHER NOW RATHER THAN LATER. IT IS VERY,
10 VERY IMPORTANT THAT THAT WORK BEGIN. I SEE NO REASON WHY
11 MENTAL HEALTH AND THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT SHOULDN'T COME
12 FORWARD TO US WITH A JOINT REPORT SO THAT IT IS COHERENT. IT
13 IS COLLABORATIVE. IT IS COMPREHENSIVE. HELP ME IF I'M MISSING
14 SOMETHING OTHER THAN THE POINT THAT YOU MAKE THAT THERE'S A
15 LITTLE BIT OF TIME SENSITIVITY. I'VE NOT HEARD LARGE. IT IS
16 BETTER FROM A CULTURAL PERSPECTIVE, THAT IS THE CULTURE OF HOW
17 WE ARE DELIVERING SERVICES, THAT WE ARE MODELING COORDINATION.
18 MR. MAYOR?

19

20 **ASST. SHERIFF TERRI MCDONALD:** OUR CHALLENGE, MR. SUPERVISOR,
21 WAS TRYING TO APPROACH ROSAS AND D.O.J. IN A COMPREHENSIVE
22 MANNER IN THE FISCAL YEAR. DELAYING THE D.O.J. PART OF IT PUTS
23 MEETING THE TIME CONSTRAINT WITH ROSAS. I ABSOLUTELY
24 UNDERSTAND YOUR CONCERN.

25

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** BUT IS MENTAL HEALTH NOT AFFECTED BY THAT
2 PIECE OF THE EQUATION IN TERMS OF ROSAS AND THE LIKE? ARE THEY
3 NOT IN THIS MIX AT ALL? WELL, YES, DR. K.?

4

5 **ASST. SHERIFF TERRI MCDONALD:** WELL THEY'RE SEPARATE.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I GET IT. I SAID ARE THEY UNRELATED?

8

9 **ASST. SHERIFF TERRI MCDONALD:** THERE ARE NO MANDATES IN ROSAS
10 THAT HAVE TO DO WITH CLINICAL HOURS AND D.O.J. MANDATES. ROSAS
11 IS PRIMARILY SECURITY CHECKS, TRAINING, GRIEVANCES. BUT I
12 THINK THAT WHAT SACHI SUGGESTED IS MAYBE WE DELAY IT FOR A
13 COUPLE OF WEEKS, SEE WHETHER OR NOT WE CAN GET WITH D.M.H. AND
14 COME BACK IN A MORE COMPREHENSIVE WAY. BUT I DO WANT TO SAY
15 THAT THERE IS SOME URGENCY BEHIND THE POSITIONS THAT WE NEED
16 AS IT RELATES TO REALLY ROSAS AND D.O.J.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I APPRECIATE THAT. BUT IF THERE'S URGENCY,
19 THEN EVERYBODY OUGHT TO GET WITH THE PROGRAM. THAT WOULD
20 INCLUDE NOT SIMPLY THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT BUT MENTAL HEALTH
21 AND WHOEVER ELSE IS TOUCHING THIS SITUATION.

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** CAN DR. K COMMENT ON YOUR CONCERN?

24

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1 **DR. ROBIN KAY:** JUST TO COMMENT THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS BEEN
2 WORKING ON THE MENTAL HEALTH PORTION OF THE D.O.J. PIECE. AND
3 WE'RE QUITE CLOSE TO BEING READY TO BRING A LETTER TO THE
4 BOARD. SO WE'LL WORK WITH THE SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT TO MAKE
5 THAT HAPPEN IN CONCERT.

6

7 **SACHI HAMAI, INTERIM C.E.O.:** AND SUPERVISOR, FROM THE C.E.O.'S
8 PERSPECTIVE, WE WILL WORK WITH BOTH DEPARTMENTS. I THINK THAT
9 WE COULD GET BACK TO THIS BOARD WITHIN THE NEXT TWO WEEKS. SO
10 IF YOU'D LIKE TO CONTINUE THE ITEM, I THINK TWO WEEKS WOULD
11 STILL PROVIDE ENOUGH TIME FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO BEGIN ITS
12 IMPLEMENTATION ON HIRING.

13

14 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I WOULD SO MOVE, MR. MAYOR.

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PUBLIC COMMENT FIRST. VOSGY KOUSAYAN,
17 ROBERT LUCAS, ERIC PREVEN AND ARNOLD SACHS. ONE MINUTE EACH.

18

19 **ERIC PREVEN:** COUNTY RESIDENT FROM DISTRICT 3. APPRECIATE THE
20 ONE MINUTE. I WOULD LIKE TO APPLAUD THE SUPERVISOR FOR
21 BRINGING SOME SANITY TO THE FACT THAT THE SHERIFF AND THE
22 MENTAL HEALTH TEAM SHOULD OBVIOUSLY BE COORDINATING, NUMBER
23 ONE. NUMBER 2, I'M VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE SHERIFF BUDGETING
24 PROCESS OVER A PERIOD OF TIME. WE HAVE A MOTION HERE FOR \$13
25 MILLION FROM MAYOR ANTONOVICH AND HILDA SOLIS ADDITIONAL. WE

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1 HAVE THE 10-1/2 MILLION DOLLARS FOR THE EVOC THING. AND,
2 FRANKLY, OF COURSE THE D.O.J. THING IS OF GREAT CONCERN AND OF
3 COURSE ROSAS IS A TOP PRIORITY, BUT, YOU KNOW, WE MAKE IT SEEM
4 LIKE OH, WE JUST HEARD FROM ROSAS. ROSAS IS DROOYAN, FOR IT TO
5 BE CLEAR. AND DROOYAN HAS CYCLED THROUGH THIS PROCESS AS YOUR
6 GUY, AS YOUR ATTORNEY, AS EVERYBODY KNOWS, AND IT'S VERY
7 DISAPPOINTING BECAUSE WE ASKED ABOUT THAT. WE ASKED ABOUT
8 WHAT'S HE DOING? AND IN FACT WE LOST NOW. THERE'S BEEN AN
9 APPEAL OF THAT LAWSUIT. YOU PROBABLY ARE VERY PLEASED TO KNOW
10 THAT YOU DEPLOYED A LOT OF MONEY TO MR. COATS AND THAT GROUP
11 AND YOU WON. SO WE WILL HAVE TO CHALLENGE IT BUT IT NEEDS TO
12 BE TRANSPARENTLY DEALT WITH IN THE RIGHT WAY.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. LUCAS?

15

16 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I SHARED A LITTLE BIT OF
17 PERSONAL EXPERIENCE WITH THIS IN THE JAILS. YOU KNOW, I DON'T
18 REALLY HOLD THE SHERIFFS ACCOUNTABLE FOR SOME OF THE ISSUES
19 THAT HAVE TO DEAL WITH THE MENTAL HEALTH. THEY'RE NOT TRAINED
20 AND PREPARED TO DEAL WITH SOME OF THESE INDIVIDUALS THAT HAVE
21 SUCH DEEP ROOTED ISSUES THAT THEY DON'T KNOW WHAT TO DO.
22 THEY'RE FRUSTRATED. AND, REALLY, THEIR BUSINESS IS KEEPING THE
23 POPULATION SAFE AND DEALING WITH VIOLENCE AND SOME SICK
24 BEHAVIOR. I MEAN, SO, THIS IS ALL ENTRUSTED TO THE MENTAL
25 HEALTH. NOW, I TOLD YOU ABOUT WORKING ON THAT FLOOR. LET ME

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1 YOU WHAT THE MENTAL HEALTH PEOPLE DO AND WHAT THEIR JOB
2 CONSISTS OF AND THE RESOURCES THAT THEY MAKE AVAILABLE TO
3 THESE PEOPLE THAT ARE IN THESE CELLS. THEY OPEN THE DOOR. THEY
4 MEDICATE THEM. THEY PUT THEM TO SLEEP. THAT'S ABOUT THE EXTENT
5 OF IT. OUT OF SIGHT, OUT OF MIND. THEN ON ONE OCCASION, THEY
6 DO GET OUT TO INTERACT WITH SOMEBODY, IT'S A VERY SUPERFICIAL
7 FIX. LET'S MEDICATE THE PERSON AGAIN AND PUT HIM TO SLEEP.
8 THEN LET'S CUT HIM OUT ON THE STREETS. WHAT'S GOING TO HAPPEN
9 NEXT?

10

11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. LUCAS. MA'AM?

12

13 **VOSGY KOUSAYAN:** HI, I'M ACTUALLY FOR THIS. I KNOW A LOT OF
14 PEOPLE IN JAIL. I KNOW A LOT OF SHERIFFS, TOO. I THINK THAT
15 THE ONLY THING IS THAT THEY SHOULD BE -- SOMEHOW THEY SHOULD --
16 -- I MEAN, AGAIN, THEY HAVE TO LOOK THROUGH THE HIRING PROCESS.
17 THEY SHOULD BE HIRING PEOPLE WHO ARE -- WHO KNOW ABOUT GANGS,
18 KNOW ABOUT MENTAL HEALTH. I MEAN THE COUNTY JAILS ARE -- IT'S
19 FULL OF PEOPLE. AND IT'S OLD. WE NEED MORE SHERIFFS IN THERE.
20 BUT WE NEED SHERIFFS WHO KNOW HOW TO HANDLE THE INMATES
21 BECAUSE THE INMATES, YEAH, THERE'S ALWAYS RIOTS. AND LIKE THE
22 INMATES ARE SOMETIMES MORE POWERFUL THAN THE SHERIFFS ARE. SO
23 WE NEED MORE. I NEVER HAD PROBLEMS WITH THE SHERIFFS.

24

25 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS.

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1

2 **ARNOLD SACHS:** THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON, ARNOLD SACHS. YOU
3 KNOW ON YOUR AGENDA TODAY IT'S KIND OF FUNNY THAT YOU TALK
4 ABOUT SILOS ON YOUR AGENDA. NO. 20 MENTIONS THE DIRECTOR OF
5 CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES, DIRECTOR OF MENTAL HEALTH AND
6 THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER. IT'S NICE THAT SOMEBODY ACTUALLY
7 SAID THESE TWO DEPARTMENTS SHOULD BE WORKING TOGETHER. BUT,
8 AGAIN, THAT COMES FROM THE TOP HERE. IF YOU HAD THIS
9 SETTLEMENT AND YOU KNOW ABOUT, WHY WOULD YOU NOT SEND FROM
10 COUNTY COUNSEL WHO IS INVOLVED IN THIS SETTLEMENT THAT THIS
11 ROSAS SETTLEMENT SUPERSEDES THE D.O.J. SETTLEMENT? THERE'S A
12 TIME CONSTRAINT. WITHOUT A TIME CONSTRAINT, YOU HAVE A
13 DIFFERENT BALL GAME. BUT BECAUSE OF THE TIME CONSTRAINT,
14 YOU'RE ON THE CLOCK. SO WHY IS ONE AGENCY LOOKING AT D.O.J.
15 INFORMATION AND ANOTHER AGENCY LOOKING AT ROSAS AND THEN
16 THEY'RE GOING TO COME TOGETHER AND DO WHAT? GO IN DIFFERENT
17 PATHS. YOU CAN'T RUN A TRAIN ON ONE TRACK.

18

19 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

20

21 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GET IT THROUGH YOUR MIND.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE A MOTION AND A SECOND. WITHOUT
24 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. ITEM NUMBER 10? LET ME DO ITEM NO. 20.
25 THAT'S WHAT WE READ. THAT WAS ON THE TABLE. SO MOVE IT. OH.

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1 LET ME CALL UP VOSGY, ROBERT LUCAS. ERIC PREVEN AND ARNOLD
2 SACHS. SHEILA, THAT'S THE MOTION I READ THAT WE PUT ON THE
3 TABLE. OH, THANK YOU. YOU ARE A GOOD MAN, MR. LUCAS. YOU'RE A
4 GOOD ROLE MODEL.

5

6 **ERIC PREVEN:** GREETINGS. I GOT TO SAY I LOVE THAT GUY, MR.
7 LUCAS. HE IS A GOOD MAN,

8

9 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** HE SPEAKS MORE WISDOM IN A SUCCINCT
10 MANNER.

11

12 **ERIC PREVEN:** THIS IS AN ENORMOUS AMOUNT OF MONEY. AS YOU KNOW,
13 ABOUT -- WELL, \$530 MILLION. AND IT'S TO FUND OUR EXISTING
14 NETWORK OF ISSUES IN THE DEPARTMENT OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
15 SERVICES. AND OF COURSE IT'S SOMETHING WE'VE BEEN GRAPPLING
16 WITH. WHAT I'M HERE TO BELLY ACHE ABOUT AT THE MOMENT IS THAT
17 THE CHILD PROTECTION DREAM TEAM WE PUT TOGETHER, SPENT A LOT
18 OF TIME LISTENING, AND I REALIZE WE'RE ADDRESSING IT IN SORT
19 OF A PIECEMEAL OVER HERE, OVER THERE WAY, BUT I REALLY WOULD
20 LOVE TO HAVE A FULL PICTURE MUCH WHAT'S GOING ON AS WE SPEND
21 ALL THIS MONEY. YOU TRY TO SPEND MONEY IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR,
22 YOU HAVE TO GET APPROVAL FROM YOUR BOSS. AND BOY IT TAKES A
23 LOT OF JUMPING THROUGH HOOPS, I'LL TELL YOU THAT RIGHT NOW. SO
24 THIS IS JUST A WHEW, LOT OF MONEY SLIDING RIGHT OUT THE DOOR
25 OF A SYSTEM WE SAID WE WERE GOING TO FIX, WE HAVE THE TEAM TO

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1 FIX IT AND I HAVEN'T SEEN WHERE WE ARE WITH ALL THAT. IT JUST
2 WORRIES ME. IT WORRIES ME. THANK YOU.

3

4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

5

6 **VOSGY KOUSAYAN:** I DON'T KNOW IF I MENTIONED I'VE HAD IN 2009 I
7 HAD ANOTHER ENCOUNTER WITH D.C.F.S. A DETECTIVE IN GLENDALE HE
8 WANTED SOMETHING FROM ME SO HE CALLED D.C.F.S. AND HE
9 THREATENED ME. BOTTOM LINE THEY WERE GOING TO MY HOUSE EVERY
10 SINGLE DAY WITH ONE POLICE OFFICER TO TAKE THE KIDS. I WAS AT
11 THE SCHOOL EVERY DAY AT 2:00 SO I CONTACTED SACRAMENTO I ASKED
12 FOR THE HEAD GUY'S NAME AND THEN I CALLED HIM. I WENT IN TO GO
13 TALK TO HIM AND EACH SAID I WAS THE FIRST PERSON WHOEVER
14 WALKED IN TO BRING HIM THE KIDS. HE THEN LOOKED AT HIS FILE
15 AND HE HAD NO ALLEGATIONS AT ALL. SO HE SAID THAT WHAT HE HAS
16 BEEN DOING WAS ILLEGAL. HE CALLED THE DETECTIVE RIGHT IN FRONT
17 OF ME TO GET THE COUPLE ALLEGATIONS THAT WAY HE COULD SIT AND
18 TALK TO ME. NOW WHEN YOU LOOK AT MY CASE, THAT'S THE FIRST
19 THING THAT POPS UP, IT COMES BACK INCONCLUSIVE. BOTTOM LINE
20 THEY WERE COMING TO MY HOUSE EVERY SINGLE DAY WITH A POLICE
21 OFFICER TO TAKE MY KIDS WITHOUT AN ALLEGATION IN THEIR FOLDER.

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS.

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS. AND WHEN I READ
2 THIS ITEM, IT'S ACTUALLY THREE ITEMS IN ONE. IT'S THE 49
3 SERVICE PROVIDERS AND EXECUTE ADDITIONAL CONTRACTS WITH
4 ADDITIONAL QUALIFIED PROVIDEERS. THAT'S WHAT THE DIRECTOR OF
5 HEALTH, DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY SERVICES IS GOING TO
6 HAVE THE ABILITY TO EXERCISE THE EXTENSION OPTIONS IF THE
7 FUNDS ARE AVAILABLE. PART 2 IS THE MEDICAL AGREEMENT FOR THE
8 WRAP-AROUND PROGRAM. HOW IS IT FINANCED? IT DOESN'T SAY. BUT
9 THOSE EXTENSIONS ARE FUNDS AUTOMATIC EXTENSIONS, SO THOSE
10 FUNDS ARE AUTOMATICALLY AVAILABLE. AND PART 3 IS THE CHIEF
11 PROBATION OFFICER AND THE DIRECTOR OF CHILDREN AND FAMILY
12 SERVICES TO AMEND CURRENT RESIDENTIAL-BASED SERVICE COMMUNITY
13 CONTRACTS. SO YOU HAVE THREE DIFFERENT ITEMS IN THE SAME -- ON
14 SAME.

15
16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PAGE.

17
18 **ARNOLD SACHS:** AND ONE MINUTE FOR THE PUBLIC TO TALK ABOUT IT
19 BUT AGAIN WHERE ARE THESE EXTRA CONTRACTS COMING FROM IF
20 YOU'RE SPENDING THE \$550 MILLION FOR THE FIVE YEARS FOR THE 49
21 SERVICE PROVIDERS THE FIRST PART OF THE ITEM ON YOUR AGENDA?

22
23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

24
25 **ARNOLD SACHS:** NO SOURCE OF FUNDING.

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1

2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOVED. SECOND BY SUPERVISOR KUEHL.
3 WITHOUT OBJECTION.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** IS THAT ITEM 20?

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THAT'S THE ONE I HAD ON THE TABLE.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** I SUPPORT YOUR MOTION, THE QUESTION I HAD WAS THAT
10 AS WE ARE DEVELOPING THESE SERVICES WITH D.C.F.S., IS THERE A
11 WAY THAT ONE OF THESE GROUPS COULD BE -- CONDUCT A PILOT AS IT
12 RELATES TO THE SERVICES, THE WRAP-AROUND TEAMS FOR THE CHILD
13 SEX TRAFFICKING PIECE AS IT RELATES TO D.C.F.S. AND MENTAL
14 HEALTH?

15

16 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND WE CAN ASK THAT FOR A REPORT BACK
17 FROM THE C.E.O.?

18

19 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL RIGHT.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WITH THAT, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO
22 ORDERED. ITEM 10?

23

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** NO, YES, BUT LET ME ASK A QUICK QUESTION,
2 IF I MAY, MR. MAYOR, DID YOU HAVE AN AMENDING MOTION ON THIS
3 ITEM?

4

5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THAT'S WHAT WE HAD PUT ON THE TABLE.

6

7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** EARLIER.

8

9 **SUP. KNABE:** HE READ IT DURING THE BUDGET PIECE. REMEMBER WE
10 PUT IT ON THE TABLE. IT WAS FOR 20 AND NOT THE BUDGET.

11

12 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO ADOPTED IN THE CONTEXT OF THE BUDGET
13 DELIBERATIONS?

14

15 **SUP. KNABE:** NO.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I PUT IT IN DURING THE BUDGET BUT PUT
18 IT ON THE TABLE UNTIL AFTER THE BUDGET DELIBERATIONS.

19

20 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WHERE ARE WE AT WITH RESPECT TO THE
21 DISPOSITION OF IT NOW?

22

23 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IT WENT OUT THE DOOR.

24

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WELL, WOULD YOU GO RETRIEVE IT, MR. MAYOR,
2 FOR US AND CAUSE IT TO -- MAY I REGISTER THE CONCERN ABOUT THE
3 AMOUNT OF THE SHIFT OF RESPONSIBILITY TO D.M.H.? I SIMPLY WANT
4 TO REGISTER THAT AS A POINT OF CONCERN BECAUSE THAT IS THE
5 THRUST OF YOUR MOTION, IS IT NOT? DO I READ THAT CORRECTLY?

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** I BELIEVE SO.

8

9 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** POINT OF CONCERN, POINT OF CAUTION IS WHAT
10 I WANT TO PUNCTUATE. I DO NOT WISH TO ALTER THE MOVEMENT. BUT
11 I HAVE THE INCREASING CONCERNS ABOUT HOW MUCH WE'RE PUTTING ON
12 THE SHOULDERS OF D.M.H. I DO NOT WISH TO HAVE THE MATTER
13 RECONSIDERED BUT I WISH TO REGISTER THAT AS A CONCERN.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY, REGISTER THAT AS A CONCERN AND
16 IN THE REPORT BACK HAVE THAT ADDRESSED.

17

18 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** ALL RIGHT. THAT'S FINE.

19

20 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** ITEM NO. 10, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR
21 MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS? SUPERVISOR KNABE?

22

23 **SUP. KNABE:** MR. CHAIRMAN, I WITHDRAW MY MOTION FOR
24 CONTINUANCE.

25

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1 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR KNABE. MAY WE ASK,
2 MR. MAYOR, THROUGH THE CHAIR, TO ASK BOTH THE AUDITOR-
3 CONTROLLER AND THE CHIEF PROBATION OFFICER TO COME FORWARD?

4
5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SURE.

6
7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** PART OF WHICH I WISH TO GET CLARIFICATION
8 ON IN ADDITION TO THE THRUST OF THE MOTION AS IT IS SET, THERE
9 ARE NO CONCERNS IN THERE, BUT SUPERVISOR KUEHL, YOU DID HAVE
10 SOME AMENDING LANGUAGE, DID YOU NOT? PLEASE PROCEED AND THEN
11 I'LL JUST WRAP UP WITH THE CONCERNS THAT I HAVE.

12
13 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, IF I MAY, THANK YOU,
14 SUPERVISOR RIDLEY-THOMAS. JUST A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT WHICH WE
15 DISCUSSED AND I THINK HAS BEEN PASSED OUT. BUT THERE'S SO MUCH
16 PAPER ON MY DESK RIGHT NOW I HAVE NO IDEA. SIMPLY TO AMEND THE
17 MOTION AS PRESENTED IN SUBSECTION C. SO THAT IT SIMPLY ASKS
18 THE DEPARTMENT TO DO A REVIEW OF THEIR FEDERAL AND STATE
19 GRANTS. WE WANTED TO CLARIFY THOSE WERE THE GRANTS WE WERE
20 TALKING ABOUT. AND THEN IN THE FINAL PIECE WHERE THE REQUEST
21 WAS FOR THE DEPARTMENT TO DO A THOROUGH REVIEW OF MANAGEMENT
22 AND AN ACCOUNTING OF ITS BUDGET, WE TOOK OUT THE GRANT FUNDS
23 THERE SINCE THEY WERE IN THE EARLIER PARAGRAPH AND IT JUST
24 SAYS THE DEPARTMENT'S MANAGEMENT AND ACCOUNTING OF ITS BUDGET

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1 REVENUES AND EXPENDITURES. SO THAT'S MY PROPOSED AMENDMENT,
2 FRIENDLY AMENDMENT, I HOPE.

3

4 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** INDEED. I HAVE NO OBJECTION TO ACCEPTING
5 THOSE AS A FRIENDLY AMENDMENT. I DON'T KNOW IF THERE ARE ANY
6 OTHER AMENDMENTS. AND IF NOT, MR. MAYOR, IT STANDS AS AMENDED
7 AND WE WILL PROCEED TO ADOPT IT WHEN YOU DEEM APPROPRIATE. BUT
8 THERE ARE A FEW QUESTIONS THAT I WANT TO ASK THAT ARE
9 PRELIMINARY TO THE ULTIMATE DISPOSITION OF THE MATTER. I WANT
10 TO ASK THE QUESTION STRAIGHT OUT. WHY IS THERE A DISCREPANCY
11 BETWEEN THE D.O.J. REPORT THAT THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT HAS
12 ACHIEVED FULL COMPLIANCE WITH ITS MONITORING PROVISIONS AND
13 YET WE ARE IN RECEIPT OF A REPORT FROM THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
14 DATED APRIL 6TH OF THIS YEAR THAT SUGGESTS IN NO UNCERTAIN
15 TERMS THAT PROBATION DID NOT MAINTAIN SUBSTANTIAL COMPLIANCE
16 WITH SIX OF THE SEVEN PROVISIONS RANDOMLY REVIEWED? AND IT
17 SEEMS TO ME THAT THIS IS FUNDAMENTALLY IMPORTANT IN TERMS OF
18 HOW WE UNDERSTAND WHERE WE ARE. WE'VE GOTTEN MIXED REPORTS
19 FROM TWO DEPARTMENTS ON WHOM WE RELY. GENTLEMEN, PERHAPS YOU
20 CAN HELP THE BOARD BETTER UNDERSTAND WHY THE DISCREPANCY, IF
21 THAT'S A PROPER CHARACTERIZATION OF SUCH.

22

23 **JERRY POWERS:** MR. SUPERVISOR, IF I COULD RESPOND AND ADD
24 COMMENTS, AS WELL. I THINK IT COMES -- THERE'S A COUPLE
25 NUANCES THAT WE'LL SHED SOME LIGHT ON IT. NUMBER 1, THERE IS A

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1 DIFFERENCE BETWEEN MONITORING AND AUDITING. WE HAVE FEDERAL
2 MONITORS AND MR. NAIMO AUDITS. MONITORING IS BEYOND AUDITING.
3 IT'S A QUALITATIVE AS WELL AS A QUANTITATIVE FUNCTION. IT'S
4 ONGOING. IT'S NOT DONE AT A SINGLE POINT IN TIME OR A COUPLE
5 POINTS IN TIME. WE'VE HAD MONITORS IN THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT
6 FOR ESSENTIALLY THE LAST SIX YEARS. THE MONITORS ARE SUBJECT
7 MATTER EXPERTS. NOT TO SAY THAT MR. NAIMO'S FOLKS AREN'T
8 SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS IN AUDITING, BUT CERTAINLY MONITORING
9 OF PROBATION FUNCTIONS AND THOSE QUALITATIVE THINGS ARE NOT
10 SOMETHING THAT I WOULD EXPECT THAT MR. NAIMO'S AUDITORS WOULD
11 BE VERSED AT. THE OTHER THING IS THAT IF YOU LOOK AT THE
12 PERIOD OF TIME THAT MR. NAIMO'S FOLKS WENT IN AND DID THEIR
13 AUDITING, IT WAS MUCH PRIOR TO THE D.O.J.'S REPORTING OUT THAT
14 WE WERE COMPLIANT. IT ALSO -- THE REPORT THAT MR. NAIMO'S
15 FOLKS OR THE PARAGRAPH THAT MR. NAIMO'S FOLKS AUDITED, ALL BUT
16 TWO OF THEM, I BELIEVE, WERE NOT IN MONITORING AS FAR AS THE
17 DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE WAS CONCERNED. THEY HAD ALREADY BEEN
18 COMPLIED WITH. IT WAS SIMPLY THE DEPARTMENT AND THE COUNTY'S
19 WISH TO CONTINUE TO MONITOR IN THOSE AREAS THAT WE HAD ALREADY
20 COMPLIED WITH. SO IT WASN'T A FUNCTION OF NOT BEING IN
21 COMPLIANCE FROM A D.O.J. STANDARD. WHAT IT WAS, WHAT MR.
22 NAIMO'S FOLKS WERE SAYING IS THAT WE HAD FALLEN BELOW A
23 THRESHOLD IN OUR ONGOING, PERSONAL INTERNAL COUNTY MONITORING
24 IN SEVERAL AREAS, WHICH IS PART OF WHY WE CONTINUE TO DO THAT,
25 FRANKLY, SO THAT WE CAN SELF-CORRECT. IF WE ARE BELOW A

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1 THRESHOLD LEVEL, IT'S SOMETHING THAT WE NEED TO KNOW. MY
2 UNDERSTANDING IS THE REASON WE HAVE THE AUDITOR DO THAT IS
3 BECAUSE THAT'S A NONPARTISAN, NONPARTIAL ENTITY FROM OUTSIDE
4 THE DEPARTMENT TO COME IN AND SAY, HEY, WE CAN'T FIND THINGS.
5 I WILL TELL YOU I'VE HAD DISCUSSIONS WITH MR. NAIMO SUBSEQUENT
6 TO THAT. WE'RE GOING TO SIT DOWN WITH OUR STAFF AND FIGURE OUT
7 WHY OUR NUMBERS ARE DIFFERENT THAN THEIRS. I SUSPECT SOME OF
8 IT WAS THEY WEREN'T ABLE TO FIND SOME PAPER THAT WE DIDN'T
9 HAVE IN THE RIGHT FOLDER OR ON THE RIGHT LIST OR IN THE RIGHT
10 AUTOMATED SYSTEM THAT WE HAVE. THEY DIDN'T GET ACCESS TO IT.
11 WE'LL CLEAN THAT UP. I'D ALSO POINT OUT FINALLY THAT THIS IS
12 THE 12TH MONITORING REPORT THAT'S BEEN SUBMITTED. AND EACH
13 PREVIOUS MONITORING REPORT ALSO SHOWED AREAS THAT WE WERE
14 BELOW THRESHOLD AMOUNTS IN. AND THE DEPARTMENT RESPONDED AND
15 BROUGHT THOSE BACK UP TO WHERE THEY SHOULD BE AS PART OF
16 ONGOING QUALITY CONTROL THE DEPARTMENT DOES. THIS CERTAINLY
17 HAS BEEN POINTED OUT AS ALARMING. I DON'T SEE IT AS ALARMING.
18 I SEE IT AS FURTHER INFORMATION THE DEPARTMENT GETS SO THAT WE
19 KNOW WHERE WE NEED TO IMPROVE IN THOSE AREAS THAT WE'RE NOT
20 DOING AS WELL AS WE HAVE IN THE PAST. AND WE WILL RESPOND TO
21 THEM. AND THE VAST MAJORITY OF THEM WE'RE DEALING WITH
22 TRAINING AREAS. I MEAN, THAT ARE CONCERNING TO ME WE'RE
23 DEALING WITH TRAINING AREAS. WE HAVE TRAINING THAT WE DO IN
24 FISCAL YEAR CYCLES. SO WE MAY BE OUT OF COMPLIANCE WITH THE
25 CALENDAR YEAR TRAINING REQUIREMENT BECAUSE WE GO BY THE FISCAL

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1 YEAR. THAT'S HOW OUR FUNDING IS PROVIDED TO US FROM THE STATE.
2 THEY'RE NOT EXCUSES. THEY ARE SIMPLY SOME NUANCED LENSES THAT
3 WE MAY LOOK AT IT, D.O.J. LOOKS AT IT DIFFERENTLY AND
4 CERTAINLY AUDITORS LOOK AT IT DIFFERENTLY.

5

6 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU. MR. POWERS. MR. NAIMO, CAN YOU
7 HELP CLARIFY THINGS IN TERMS OF YOUR FUNCTION AS THE AUDITOR-
8 CONTROLLER AND WHAT IMPACT -- WHAT'S THE IMPORT OF THE
9 FINDINGS THAT YOU HAVE? AND HOW SHOULD THE BOARD INTERPRET
10 THAT?

11

12 **JOHN NAIMO:** YES, SUPERVISOR. JOHN NAIMO, AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. I
13 BELIEVE THE D.O.J. PROCESS AND THE AUDITING PROCESS THAT YOUR
14 BOARD PUT INTO PLACE, YOUR BOARD DIRECTED THE AUDITOR TO DO
15 THESE FOLLOW UP REVIEWS, WERE INTENDED TO COMPLIMENT EACH
16 OTHER. THAT IS, D.O.J. IS LOOKING AT THIS IN ITS TOTALITY. AND
17 AFTER A LONG PERIOD OF TIME, THEY CONCLUDED THAT THE
18 DEPARTMENT WAS SUBSTANTIVELY IN COMPLIANCE. WHILE THEIR
19 PROCESS WAS GOING ON, OUR STAFF, WHO BY THE WAY WORKED CLOSELY
20 WITH THE D.O.J. MONITORS, WOULD BE LOOKING AT INDIVIDUAL
21 ASPECTS OF COMPLIANCE. AND AS WE DO THAT, WE LOOK FOR NOT JUST
22 THE APPEARANCE OF COMPLIANCE, BUT WE LOOK TO MAKE SURE THAT
23 THERE IS DOCUMENTATION. SO, FOR EXAMPLE, IF TRAINING WAS ONE
24 OF THE REQUIREMENTS, WE WOULD BE LOOKING FOR EVIDENCE OF
25 TRAINING: LOGS, CLASS DATES, THINGS OF THAT NATURE. AND SO TO

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1 THE EXTENT THAT WE DON'T FIND THOSE THINGS IN PLACE, WE WILL
2 CITE THOSE AS EXCEPTIONS. BUT I DON'T THINK THE TWO
3 CONCLUSIONS, THE D.O.J. CONCLUSION THAT THE DEPARTMENT IS NOW
4 OVERALL IN COMPLIANCE WITH WHAT HAD HAPPENED BEFORE AND THE
5 ONGOING AUDITOR REPORTS THAT CITE INDIVIDUAL INSTANCES OF
6 NONCOMPLIANCE ARE NECESSARILY AT ODDS WITH EACH OTHER.

7

8 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AND WHAT IS IT THAT THE BOARD SHOULD TAKE
9 AWAY FROM THIS, MR. NAIMO? THAT THE DEPARTMENT OF PROBATION IS
10 IN BETTER SHAPE WITH RESPECT TO ITS COMPLIANCE WITH THE D.O.J.
11 MONITORING? OR WHAT? I USED THE LANGUAGE OF DISCREPANCY. I
12 THINK BOTH OF YOU SEEK TO KIND OF DOWNPLAY THE EXTENT TO WHICH
13 THAT IS THE CASE. BUT AS ONE WHO HAS READ MANY REPORTS FOR A
14 LONG TIME, THIS IS RATHER UNUSUAL. YOU BEGIN YOUR REMARKS BY
15 SUGGESTING THAT THE BOARD REQUIRED OF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER
16 TO DO THESE AUDITS BECAUSE, WHAT? WHAT WAS THE RATIONALE
17 AGAIN, MR. NAIMO?

18

19 **JOHN NAIMO:** TO ENSURE THAT PROBATION REMAINS COMPLIANT WITH
20 THE VARIOUS ASPECTS OF THE D.O.J. CONSENT DECREE.

21

22 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** SO ULTIMATELY WE ARE MORE RELIANT ON THE
23 WORK OF THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER THAT WE HAD MORE DIRECT
24 INFLUENCE OVER AS A BOARD THAN THE D.O.J. MONITOR? IF THAT IS
25 THE CASE, THEN, IT WOULD SEEM TO ME THAT WE WOULD BE OBLIGED

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1 TO BE VERY ATTENTIVE TO WHAT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER IS
2 SUGGESTING. THE WAY I READ THE REPORT, IT SAYS THAT THERE IS
3 UNFINISHED BUSINESS OF SOME CONSEQUENCE. AND THE
4 REPRESENTATIONS MADE BY D.O.J. ARE, IN FACT, AT VARIANCE WITH
5 THE REPRESENTATIONS MADE BY THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. AND I DO
6 NOT THINK THAT THAT IS, FRANKLY, ALTERED BY THE DIFFERENTIAL
7 IN TIME. WE SHOULD LINE THAT UP IF WE CAN, MR. POWERS. BECAUSE
8 THE 12TH REPORT FROM THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER COVERS APRIL
9 THROUGH SEPTEMBER. YOU CAME TO THE BOARD AND REPORTED THAT
10 PRELIMINARILY ALL THINGS WERE FINALLY BEING WRAPPED UP. AND
11 THAT WAS LAST YEAR, THE END OF LAST YEAR; IS THAT NOT CORRECT?

12

13 **JERRY POWERS:** NOVEMBER, I RECALL.

14

15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND SO IT STRIKES ME AS BEING PRETTY
16 MUCH IN ALIGNMENT IN TERMS OF THE TIMEFRAME, THAT WHICH THE
17 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER HAD COVERED AND THAT WHICH THE D.O.J.
18 MONITOR HAD COVERED WAS REALLY AN ALIGNMENT IN TIME. TO THE
19 EXTENT THAT IS THE CASE, I THINK WE HAVE TO BE CLEAR ABOUT THE
20 QUALITY OF LIFE IN THE CAMPS AS IT RELATES TO HOW THOSE
21 YOUNGSTERS ARE FARING. AND THERE IS NOTHING TO BE GAINED BY
22 MAKING IT APPEAR AS THOUGH IT'S BETTER THAN IT IS. WE NEED A
23 REAL TIME ACCURATE REPORT. I DOUBT THAT ANYONE WILL ASSERT
24 THAT IT ISN'T IMPROVED IN SOME FORM OR ANOTHER. BUT IT IS
25 PROBLEMATIC TO CAUSE IT TO BE PERCEIVED, IN MY JUDGMENT, AS

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1 MORE IMPROVED THAN IN FACT IT ACTUALLY IS. AND THAT'S THE
2 POINT OF WHAT CAUSES ME SOME CONCERN. I BELIEVE THAT THE
3 AUDITOR CONTROLLER'S REPORT IS SUGGESTING THAT IMPROVEMENT IS
4 IN PLACE, BUT IT'S NOT WHERE IT OUGHT TO BE. IF I WERE TO
5 BELIEVE THE D.O.J. REPORT, IT SEEMS TO ME THAT THAT GIVES IT A
6 BIT MORE OF A PUSH THAN I THINK CAN BE SUBSTANTIATED OR
7 SUSTAINED BY THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER. MR. MAYOR, I JUST WANTED
8 TO TRY TO LIFT THIS UP FOR OUR CLARIFICATION AND
9 CONSIDERATION.

10

11 **SUP. KUEHL:** I JUST WANT TO SUPPORT --

12

13 **SUP. SOLIS:** I JUST WANT TO SUPPORT THIS MOTION AND I'D ALSO
14 LIKE TO ASK THE AUDITOR SOME QUESTIONS. WHEN YOU TALKED ABOUT
15 LOOKING AT TRAINING, STAFFING AND TRAINING, WHAT OTHER THINGS
16 ARE YOU LOOKING AT? CAN YOU PLEASE EXPLAIN WHAT THAT PROCESS
17 ENTAILS, WHAT IT IS YOU'RE LOOKING AT?

18

19 **JOHN NAIMO:** WELL THERE WERE SOME TRAINING REQUIREMENTS IMPOSED
20 ON THE DEPARTMENT BY THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE. THOSE ARE
21 ONGOING REQUIREMENTS. THEY ARE NOT ONE-TIME ONLY. SO WE ARE
22 LOOKING FOR EVIDENCE THAT THOSE PERSONS IN THE DEPARTMENT THAT
23 WERE REQUIRED TO GET ONGOING TRAINING, DID IN FACT GET
24 SCHEDULED FOR TRAINING, ATTENDED THE TRAINING SESSIONS, THAT
25 THERE'S EVIDENCE OF A LOG, IF YOU WILL AND OTHER DOCUMENTATION

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1 THAT AUDITORS WOULD TYPICALLY EXPECT WHEN WE WERE TRYING TO
2 CONFIRM TRAINING.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** ONE OF THE CONCERNS I HAVE -- AND I HAD BROUGHT
5 THIS TO THE DIRECTOR'S ATTENTION -- ON CERTAIN VISITS THAT I
6 WAS INVOLVED IN, VISITING SOME OF OUR CAMPS, I NOTICED THAT
7 THERE WERE LOGS KEPT FOR YOUNG PEOPLE DETAINED IN SPECIFIC
8 COMPOUNDS. HIGH SECURITY. AND I ASKED WHAT THE PROCEDURE WAS,
9 HOW LONG WERE THEY SUPPOSED TO BE IN THESE CELLS? WHO WAS
10 OVERSEEING THEM AND WHAT HAVE YOU? AND I FOUND VERY -- A LARGE
11 DISCREPANCY IN TERMS OF REPORTING. AND WHO WAS IN CHARGE. AND
12 WHY THESE PARTICULAR YOUNG PEOPLE, STUDENTS, WERE BEING, IN MY
13 OPINION, PUNISHED, AND PUT IN CELLS ALMOST SIMILAR TO SOLITARY
14 CONFINEMENT AND WITH NOT VERY GOOD PROVISIONS. AND I DON'T
15 MEAN JUST FOOD. I MEAN CLOTHING. APPROPRIATE CLOTHING. THAT
16 AND ALSO SUPERVISION OF STAFF. AND I DON'T KNOW HOW AN AUDIT
17 GETS TO THAT. BUT I WANT TO TRY TO UNDERSTAND HOW DEEP YOUR
18 AUDITING GOES, OR WHAT CHECKS AND BALANCES WE HAVE HERE IN
19 PLACE. BECAUSE PART OF THIS IS A ROLE OF THE SUPERVISORS. SO
20 WHILE YOU MIGHT HAVE SOMEONE TRAINED AND THEY CHECK OFF THE
21 BOX THAT THEY WENT THROUGH TRAINING, HOW WELL DO WE KNOW THAT
22 WE'RE ENFORCING THE PROPER PROCEDURES AND OVERSIGHT OF THOSE
23 INDIVIDUALS THAT ARE OVERSEEN AND ENTRUSTED WITH OUR YOUNG
24 PEOPLE? SO I WANT TO UNDERSTAND THAT. I'M HAVING SOME
25 DIFFICULTY BECAUSE I DID SEE SOME THINGS THAT CAUSED ME GREAT

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1 CONCERN. AND I HAVE SHARED THAT WITH THE DEPARTMENT. AND I
2 KNOW YOU HAVE MADE SOME CORRECTIONS THERE. BUT I DON'T THINK
3 WE'RE DOING NEARLY ENOUGH TO INSERT THAT LEVEL OF CERTAINTY TO
4 THE EXTENT WE CAN THAT WE DON'T HAVE INDIVIDUALS THAT WE THINK
5 ARE PROPERLY TRAINED THAT ARE NOT EVEN BEING HELD ACCOUNTABLE
6 FOR THEIR CURRENT PERFORMANCE. AND I HAVE A REAL PROBLEM WITH
7 THAT. THAT THERE ALMOST SEEMS TO BE A LACK OF ENFORCEMENT WHEN
8 THERE ARE, SAY, STAFF THAT ARE NOT FOLLOWING PROPER PROCEDURES
9 THAT COULD CREATE MORE POTENTIAL PROBLEMS FOR US.

10

11 **JOHN NAIMO:** SUPERVISOR, FOR THE D.O.J. REVIEW, OUR AUDITORS
12 WORKED CLOSELY WITH THE D.O.J. SUBJECT MATTER EXPERTS SO THAT
13 WE COULD GAIN INSIGHT AS TO WHAT THE EXPECTATIONS WERE. SO WE
14 HAVE THAT INFORMATION. WE GO OUT TO THE DEPARTMENT. WE
15 INTERVIEW PEOPLE. AND WE LOOK FOR DOCUMENTATION. AUDIT IS
16 LARGELY REVOLVES AROUND DOCUMENTATION. AND SO WE ASKED THOSE
17 QUESTIONS.

18

19 **SUP. SOLIS:** LET ME ASK YOU. DO YOU INTERVIEW THE DETAINEES?

20

21 **JOHN NAIMO:** PARDON ME?

22

23 **SUP. SOLIS:** DO YOU INTERVIEW THE DETAINEE? THE INMATE? DO YOU
24 TALK TO THE CHILDREN?

25

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1 **JOHN NAIMO:** I DON'T KNOW SPECIFICALLY THAT WE HAVE TALKED TO
2 THE DETAINEES. BUT I KNOW WE HAVE TALKED TO PROBATION STAFF.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** IS IT PART OF YOUR ROLE? CAN YOU DO THAT?

5

6 **JOHN NAIMO:** IT CAN BE. >. **SUP. SOLIS:** HAS IT HAPPENED OR NOT?

7

8 **JOHN NAIMO:** I CANNOT TELL YOU CONCLUSIVELY IT HAS OR NOT.

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS:** I WOULD THINK THAT WOULD BE A VERY IMPORTANT
11 ELEMENT THAT WE MIGHT BE MISSING HERE. IN FACT, IN
12 CONVERSATIONS THAT I HAD ON THE GROUND WITH INMATES, I WAS
13 TOLD THE COMPLETELY DIFFERENT INFORMATION AS OPPOSED TO WHAT
14 SUPERVISORIAL STAFF WAS OR THE STAFF AT HAND HAD DESCRIBED.
15 I'M JUST TRYING TO UNDERSTAND WHAT TOOLS ARE AVAILABLE OR
16 WHERE WE'RE LACKING HERE THAT WE NEED TO HAVE THOSE CHECKS AND
17 BALANCES. AND I'M NOT SURE THAT THE AUDITOR IS CAPABLE OF
18 DOING THAT. AND MAYBE I NEED CLARIFICATION ON WHAT THAT ROLE
19 IS AND WHY WE HAVEN'T PURSUED IT. THAT THOSE INTERVIEWS OCCUR.

20

21 **JOHN NAIMO:** WE CAN FOLLOW UP ON THAT. WE DON'T HAVE SUBJECT
22 MATTER EXPERTISE THAT POSSIBLY D.O.J. HAD. I DO USE AUDITORS
23 AND CONTRACT MONITORS LARGELY TO DO THIS TYPE OF WORK.

24

25 **SUP. SOLIS:** CONTRACT.

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1

2 **JOHN NAIMO:** CONTRACT MONITORS, THAT'S RIGHT. WHICH ARE
3 ESSENTIALLY ACCOUNTANTS AND AUDITORS THAT WORK FOR US.

4

5 **SUP. SOLIS:** SO SUBJECT MATTER, THAT'S THE BIG QUESTION MARK
6 HERE.

7

8 **JOHN NAIMO:** THAT'S RIGHT.

9

10 **SUP. SOLIS:** SO I GUESS WHAT I'M TRYING TO GET AT IS THAT AN
11 AUDIT WILL TELL US ONE THING. BUT IT WON'T TELL ME WHAT I WANT
12 TO KNOW. AND I THINK THAT'S WHAT I WANT TO TRY TO GET AT. SO I
13 DON'T KNOW THAT THE MOTION WILL ENCOMPASS EVERYTHING THAT I
14 NEED TO BE SATISFIED OF HOW WE DRILL DOWN ON THAT. AND I THINK
15 IT'S VERY IMPORTANT FOR US TO GET THE FEEDBACK FROM THE ACTUAL
16 CONSTITUENTS OR THE POPULATION THAT WE'RE SERVING. SO WE WILL
17 GET THE FULL PICTURE.

18

19 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** WE WILL AMEND IT ACCORDINGLY AND MAKE SURE
20 THAT IS PART OF WHAT THE PURSUIT IS IN TERMS OF THE
21 INTERVIEWEES. THEY HAVE TO BE THE YOUNGSTERS WHO ARE UNDER THE
22 SUPERVISION OF PROBATION AS A PART OF WHAT IS ULTIMATELY
23 REPORTED ON.

24

25 **SUP. SOLIS:** BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY SUBJECT MATTER.

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1

2 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I UNDERSTAND.

3

4 **SUP. SOLIS:** SO THERE'S A BIG DIFFERENCE. YOU TELL ME YOU'RE
5 CONTRACTORS THAT CAN DO AUDITING AND LOOK AT THOSE THINGS, BUT
6 IT'S ALSO HAVING INDIVIDUALS AVAILABLE ON STAFF TO BE ABLE TO
7 DO THAT. AND I DON'T THINK THIS IS JUST ONE INSTANCE OR ONE
8 DEPARTMENT. I THINK IT COULD ALSO BE IN OTHER JURISDICTIONS.
9 AND MAYBE THAT'S WHAT WE NEED TO DO, STAFF UP IN THESE
10 PARTICULAR AREAS SO WE DO KNOW WHAT WE'RE LOOKING AT SO WE CAN
11 PREVENT THINGS FROM HAPPENING. BUT I'M JUST SAYING THAT IF
12 WE'RE GOING DOWN THIS ROAD TO TRY TO MAKE SURE THAT WE'RE ON A
13 GOOD ROAD OF PROGRESS, THAT WE DON'T RECEDE, THAT WE DON'T GO
14 BACK. AND I THINK LESSONS ARE LEARNED. BUT IF THEY'RE NOT
15 LEARNED, WHY NOT? AND WHY CAN'T WE CHANGE THAT?

16

17 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. I THINK FOLLOWING ALONG THIS
18 SAME THING, ONE OF THE THINGS THAT YOU SAID, MR. POWERS, AT
19 THE VERY BEGINNING, WAS DIFFERENTIATING BETWEEN MONITORING AND
20 AUDITING. AND IT SEEMED LIKE YOU WERE TALKING ABOUT MONITORING
21 RELATING TO QUALITATIVE ISSUES; AUDITING RELATING MORE TO
22 QUANTITATIVE ISSUES. AND I WAS THINKING EARLIER, BEFORE WE
23 CAME IN TODAY, LOOKING AT THIS MOTION, I THINK IT'S TOTALLY
24 APPROPRIATE TO ASK THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO DO WHAT THE
25 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER DOES. AND THESE FIVE PARAGRAPHS IDENTIFY

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1 WHAT AN AUDITOR CAN DO. BUT I THINK WHAT WE SHOULD CONSIDER AS
2 A BOARD AND WHAT I WOULD LIKE TO TAKE ON WITH OTHERS IN I
3 WOULD SAY THE MONTH TO COME BECAUSE WE'LL BE GONE FOR A WEEK
4 AND TO BRING IT RIGHT IN ON TUESDAY WOULD SEEM RUSHED TO ME IS
5 A REAL LOOK AT THE JUVENILE PROBATION OUTCOMES STUDY WHICH
6 TALKED A LOT AND FOUND A LOT ABOUT HOW DATA -- HOW SOME OF THE
7 DIFFICULTIES IN BRINGING DATA TOGETHER AND MADE SOME
8 RECOMMENDATIONS, VERY MUCH LIKE OUR BLUE RIBBON COMMISSION
9 WHICH DIDN'T HAVE ANY POWER TO PUT THEM INTO EFFECT, BUT
10 ESSENTIALLY SUPERVISORS HAVE SAID THIS IS IMPORTANT. SOME OF
11 THE REPORT DEALT WITH PREVENTION. SOME OF IT DID DEAL WITH
12 THOSE QUALITATIVE ASPECTS WHICH D.O.J. WILL NO LONGER REALLY
13 BE MONITORING. IT'S A VERY GOOD THING FOR D.O.J. TO SAY YOU'VE
14 MET CERTAIN GOALS. BUT IT WOULD BE REMISS FOR THE FIVE OF US
15 TO SAY, OKAY, WELL THEN WE'RE NOT GOING TO TAKE ANY LOOK AT
16 THESE QUALITATIVE ISSUES. INDEED, WE COULD PROBABLY BE GOOD
17 PARTNERS IN TERMS OF SEEING IF THAT COULD HAPPEN. THEY DID A
18 LOT OF ANALYSIS ABOUT THE NEED FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAMS,
19 WHICH I KNOW YOU AGREE WITH. AND MAKING CERTAIN THAT THAT CAN
20 HAPPEN IN THE FACILITIES. MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES OF THE KIDS.
21 THE ISSUE OF WHETHER THERE'S SOLITARY CONFINEMENT OR NOT,
22 WHICH I THINK MANY OF US ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT. THE ISSUE
23 OF EDUCATION. ALL THE STUFF THAT WE'RE LOOKING AT AT
24 KILPATRICK, SORT OF MAKING IT HAPPEN. SO I WOULD SUGGEST THAT
25 WE ADOPT THIS MOTION. ASK THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER TO DO WHAT

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1 THEIR OFFICE DOES BEST AND CAN DO. AND IN ADDITION, FOR US TO
2 FIGURE FURTHER WAYS TO TAKE THE PLACE OF THE MONITOR, IN A
3 WAY, HOW WE LOOK AT THE QUALITATIVE ISSUES, HOW WE HELP ENACT
4 BETTER SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROGRAMS, MENTAL HEALTH PROGRAMS,
5 EDUCATION PROGRAMS AND PREVENTION BECAUSE THERE WAS A A LOT IN
6 THE REPORT ABOUT WORKING WITH C.B.O.S TO KEEP PEOPLE OUT OF
7 THE SYSTEM. AND I KNOW THAT'S BEEN A PART OF WHAT WE'VE BEEN
8 TALKING ABOUT. SO I WOULD SUGGEST THAT WE TAKE A LOOK AT THAT
9 REPORT DECIDE PIECES OF IT THAT WE LIKE TO BRING LITTLE BY
10 LITTLE IN A MEASURED FASHION AND KIND OF WORK THROUGH THE
11 QUALITATIVE ISSUES IN THAT WAY.

12
13 **JERRY POWERS:** SUPERVISOR COULD I RESPOND JUST QUICKLY TO THE
14 QUALITATIVE POINT? WE'RE IN THE FINAL STAGES OF CRAFTING A
15 SCOPE OF WORK THAT WILL ALLOW US TO BRING IN A SYSTEM CALLED
16 PERFORMANCE-BASED STANDARDS WHICH MEASURES OVER 100 DIFFERENT
17 DOMAINS IN THE INSTITUTION. AND PART OF IT INCLUDES
18 CONFIDENTIAL SURVEYS OF THE KIDS IN CUSTODY RELATIVE TO
19 QUALITY OF FOOD, DO THEY FEEL SAFE? ARE THEY TREATED WITH
20 RESPECT? ALL THOSE KINDS OF THINGS THAT WE CAN MEASURE SOME OF
21 THOSE, SUPERVISOR SOLIS YOU BROUGHT UP, THEY'RE CONFIDENTIAL.
22 AND THEY'RE DONE ON AN ONGOING BASIS SO THAT YOU GET THE
23 BASELINE AND YOU CAN SEE GOING FORWARD. WE HAD THIS IN PROCESS
24 FOR SEVERAL MONTHS PRIOR TO THIS NEW BOARD. AND IT'S A VERY
25 COMPREHENSIVE. AND I'LL PUT TOGETHER A SUMMARY FOR YOU TO LET

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1 YOU SEE ALL OF THE DOMAIN AREAS THAT ARE MEASURED. IT IS VERY
2 THOROUGH AND VERY EXTENSIVE. AND I'M NOT SUGGESTING THAT IT BE
3 IN PLACE OF WHAT THIS BOARD HAS TALKED ABOUT, BUT I THINK IT
4 WOULD BE A GREAT SUPPLEMENT TO AUDITING, TO THE BOARD'S QUEST
5 FOR QUALITATIVE DATA AND FRANKLY HELP FILL SOME OF THAT VOID
6 WITH D.O.J. LEAVING THERE'S SOME CONFIDENCE. BECAUSE WE DON'T
7 PRODUCE THE OUTCOMES. IT'S A GROUP FROM THE EAST COAST. IT
8 ALLOWS US TO COMPARE OURSELVES TO OTHER LIKE FACILITIES ACROSS
9 THE COUNTRY SO WE CAN SEE HOW WE'RE DOING RELATIVE TO OTHERS.
10 WE CAN COMPARE OURSELVES WITHIN, BETWEEN FACILITIES. AND WE
11 ALSO TRACK CHANGE OVER TIME. SO THAT WILL BE COMING TO YOU
12 VERY SHORTLY.

13

14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** WE HAVE SOME PUBLIC COMMENT. ROBERT
15 LUCAS? MICHELLE NEWELL. ERIC PREVEN. VOSGY KOUSAYAN,. FOLLOWED
16 BY ERIC SACHS.

17

18 **ROBERT LUCAS:** GOOD AFTERNOON, EVERYBODY. YOU KNOW MS. SOLIS,
19 FANTASTIC, MISS KUEHL, DO YOU KNOW WHAT? GUYS ARE ABSOLUTELY
20 ON THE RIGHT PATH HERE. I'M SO HAPPY. I DON'T MEAN THIS
21 DISRESPECTFULLY AND I MEAN THIS FROM MY HEART. DID YOU EVER
22 NOTICE THAT PEOPLE THAT PEOPLE THAT DEAL IN THE FINANCIAL
23 ASPECT OF LIFE HAVE A CERTAIN PRESENCE? THEY JUST DO. IT'S
24 REMARKABLE. I'M NOT THAT PERSON. THE FACT OF THE MATTER IS
25 WHEN YOU ASK A QUESTION AND YOU'RE GIVEN AN ANSWER AND NO

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1 MATTER HOW IT'S DISGUISED, IT'S STILL NOT THE ANSWER. TO SIT
2 BACK AND TAKE THAT, THAT'S A COMPROMISE TO ME. THAT WAS
3 FANTASTIC. I'M SO HAPPY RIGHT NOW. DO YOU KNOW, I FOUND
4 SOMETHING IN MY LIFE THAT HAS COME THROUGH ALL OF THE BAD AND
5 IT'S RIGHT HERE IN THIS ROOM.

6

7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU, MR. LUCAS. YES, MA'AM.

8

9 **MICHELLE NEWELL:** HI, MY NAME IS MICHELLE NEWELL. I'M FROM THE
10 CHILDREN'S DEFENSE FUND CALIFORNIA NATIONAL CHILD ADVOCACY
11 ORGANIZATION. AND I JUST WANTED TO THANK THE BOARD OF
12 SUPERVISORS LEADERSHIP ON THIS VERY IMPORTANT ISSUE AS WELL AS
13 CHIEF POWERS' LEADERSHIP ON REALLY SEEKING TO TURN THINGS
14 AROUND IN THE CAMPS. WE HAVE A LOT OF CONCERN AS AN
15 ORGANIZATION ABOUT WHAT HAPPENS TO YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE IN THE
16 PROBATION CAMPS. AND THANK SUPERVISOR KUEHL, SUPERVISOR SOLIS,
17 SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS'S LEADERSHIP ON THIS ISSUE.
18 ESPECIALLY WE THINK THIS AUDIT AND THE INFORMATION THAT WOULD
19 COME OF IT WOULD BE EXTREMELY VALUABLE BECAUSE THE NUMBER OF
20 YOUNG PEOPLE INCARCERATED HAS BEEN CUT IN HALF IF EVEN MORE.
21 NOW IT'S FEWER THAN 600 YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR CAMPS, IT'S REALLY
22 IMPORTANT TO UNDERSTAND WHAT STAFFING CHANGES HAVE OCCURRED,
23 WHAT BUDGET CHANGES HAVE OCCURRED, HOW GRANTS ARE ADMINISTERED
24 AND WE THINK ALL OF THIS INFORMATION WOULD HELP ALL OF US AS A
25 COUNTY, WHETHER ADVOCATES, WHETHER THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS,

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1 WHETHER PROBATION, TO FIGURE OUT HOW TO BETTER SERVE YOUNG
2 PEOPLE. AND SO WE APPLAUD THIS STEP FORWARD TO GET THE NEEDED
3 INFORMATION WE NEED TO BETTER SERVE OUR YOUNG PEOPLE. SO THANK
4 YOU.

5

6 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

7

8 **VOSGY KOUSAYAN:** HI, I'M GOING TO BE A LITTLE BIASED AND SAY
9 THAT WHAT THE PROBATION DEPARTMENT NEEDS IS SOMEBODY LIKE ME.
10 I DID MY INTERNSHIP THERE WHEN I WAS GOING TO CSUN. AND I GOT
11 TO SEE HOW THINGS RUN FIRSTHAND BECAUSE I WAS A CSUN STUDENT.
12 IF I WAS NOT A STUDENT, I COULDN'T GET IN THERE. BUT, I MEAN,
13 THERE'S OFFICERS WITH THE AL JONES PROGRAM, THEY WERE GIVING
14 THE INMATES FOR CORN NUTS WHEN THEY DESERVED IT. AND WHEN THE
15 INMATES HIT THE TEACHERS WERE GETTING THE SAME FOUR CORN NUTES
16 OR THE SAME SNACKS JUST BECAUSE THEY WERE LAZY. I MEAN THEY
17 STILL HAD TO DO THEIR HOURS THE WHOLE DAY. SO IT WOULD CAUSE
18 THE INMATES TO ARGUE, IT WOULD CAUSE THE OFFICERS TO ARGUE AND
19 THEY NEED OFFICERS WHO WOULD WORK FOR FREE JUST LIKE ME. I
20 MEAN I WORKED THERE TILL I GOT KICKED OUT. THEY NEED PEOPLE
21 WHO KNOW THE STREETS. THEY GET SCARED OF PEOPLE WHO KNOW
22 GANGSTERS.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

25

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1 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU, GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
2 YOU KNOW, THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE VARIANCES AND FROM THE
3 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S AUDITS SAYS BACK HERE IN PARAGRAPH 1 OF
4 THIS, SAID MAKE SURE PARTICULAR FOCUS ON ITS BUDGET, FISCAL
5 AND PERSONAL FUNCTIONS TO ENSURE COMPLIANCE WITH BOARD-
6 APPROVED POLICIES. WELL, THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE VARIANCES
7 WOULD NOT HAVE ANYTHING TO DO WITH A BOARD-APPROVED POLICIES.
8 BUT THE AUDITOR-CONTROLLER WOULD BE MORE FOCUSED ON BOARD-
9 APPROVED POLICIES BECAUSE NOBODY REALLY KNOWS WHAT BOARD-
10 APPROVED POLICIES ARE. I MEAN, EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE A
11 DIRECTOR WILL COME UP AND CRACK A NUT OPEN AND LET YOU IN TO
12 THAT LITTLE HIDDEN GROUP. BUT THE DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
13 DOESN'T. SO OF COURSE THERE'S GOING TO BE VARIANCES. WHAT ARE
14 THE POLICIES THAT THE BOARD APPROVED? THAT'S THE REAL
15 QUESTION.

16

17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MR. PREVEN?

18

19 **ERIC PREVEN:** YES, IT'S ERIC PREVEN THE COUNTY RESIDENT FROM
20 DISTRICT 3. AND I HAVE TO APPLAUD THE LOOK AT THE PROCESS OF
21 AUDITING THAT IS UNDERWAY HERE BECAUSE I THINK TO GET A
22 MEANINGFUL. I THINK IT WAS SUPERVISOR SOLIS TO BRING IT UP, TO
23 GET A MEANINGFUL ASSESSMENT OF WHAT'S HAPPENING, YOU REALLY DO
24 NEED MORE THAN A NUMERICAL AUDIT. I KNOW OUR AUDITORS HAVE
25 DONE THEIR BEST BUT I HAVE HAD SOME EXPERIENCE WITH THE

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1 AUDITOR-CONTROLLER'S OFFICE HERE AT L.A. COUNTY. AND I DO FEEL
2 THAT IF THE SCOPE OF THE AUDIT IT NOT EXACTLY CLEAR AS TO WHAT
3 -- IN OTHER WORDS, THESE ARE NOT EXACTLY WHAT I WOULD DESCRIBE
4 AS HUNTING DOGS. THEY ARE ACCOUNTING DOGS. DOGS IN THE NICEST
5 WAY, OF COURSE. AS ANIMAL CONTROL LOVERS, I THINK WE CAN ALL
6 AGREE THAT IS MEANT IN THE SPIRIT OF COOPERATION. BUT I THINK
7 TO GET A MEANINGFUL LOOK AT THESE KIND OF DEPARTMENTS
8 ESPECIALLY IN LIGHT OF PARAGRAPH 73 WHICH I BELIEVE IS THE
9 DEPARTMENT MUCH JUSTICE'S INITIATION THAT I WAS ON ABOUT FOR A
10 COUPLE YEARS AS YOU RECALL WHICH IS LET'S GET AS MANY PEOPLE
11 OUT OF THESE CAMPS AN AS WE CAN AND INTO THE COMMUNITY WHERE
12 THEY CAN BE HELPED.

13
14 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** OKAY. WE HAVE A MOTION AS AMENDED.

15
16 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** AS AMENDED, MR. MAYOR.

17
18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** MOTION BY SUPERVISOR THOMAS. SECOND,
19 WITHOUT OBJECTION. SO ORDERED. AS AMENDED. LET'S DO
20 ADJOURNMENTS FIRST. STIR THIS UP FIRST. THEN WE'LL GO TO 47.

21
22 **SUP. KUEHL:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR. IN TERMS OF ADJOURNMENTS,
23 UNFORTUNATELY I HAVE SEVERAL. I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN
24 TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RAY CHARLES, WHO ALWAYS
25 REFERRED TO HIMSELF AS "THE OTHER RAY CHARLES." LONGTIME

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1 RESIDENT OF THE THIRD DISTRICT OF BEVERLY HILLS. AN EMMY
2 AWARD-WINNING CHORAL DIRECTOR, LYRICIST AND COMPOSER WHO
3 RECENTLY DIED OF CANCER AT THE AGE OF 96. HE WAS BORN IN
4 CHICAGO AS CHARLES RAYMOND OFFENBERG. HIS MUSICAL TALENT
5 EMERGED EARLY. HE WON A RADIO SINGING CONTEST AT 13. AND BY
6 THE TIME HE WAS 16 HE HAD BEEN GIVEN HIS OWN 15 MINUTE PROGRAM
7 ON THE FLEDGLING BROADCAST MEDIUM. HE STUDIED AT CHICAGO
8 MUSICAL COLLEGE AND CENTRAL Y.M.C.A. COLLEGE. MOVED TO NEW
9 YORK IN 1942, WHICH WAS THEN THE CENTER OF BROADCAST INDUSTRY.
10 AND CONTINUED HIS RADIO WORK. BY 1944, HE LEGALLY HAD CHANGED
11 HIS NAME TO RAY CHARLES IN TRIBUTE TO AN ADMIREED SILENT MOVIE
12 STAR WHOSE NAME WAS CHARLES RAY. HE WAS BEST KNOWN FOR HIS
13 WORK OVER THREE DECADES WITH PERRY COMO STARTING IN 1949,
14 SINGER AND ARRANGER ON NUMEROUS VARIETY SHOWS AND SPECIALS,
15 WORKING WITH MANY STARS OF THE DAY, LIKE SID CAESAR, BING
16 CROSBY, ELLA FITZGERALD, JULIE ANDREWS AND TONY BENNETT. HIS
17 CAREER SPANNED RADIO, TELEVISION, MOVIES AND RECORDS,
18 INCLUDING MORE THAN FIVE DOZEN ALBUMS BY HIS EASY LISTENINGS
19 CHORAL GROUP CALLED "THE RAY CHARLES SINGERS." HE BACKED PERRY
20 COMO OH ON 31 L.P.S AND WAS VERY BUSY LATER DOING COMMERCIAL
21 JINGLES. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SONS MICHAEL AND JONATHAN AND
22 FOUR GRANDCHILDREN AND WAS PREVIOUSLY DECEASED BY HIS WIFE
23 BERNICE AND HIS DAUGHTER WENDY. COLLEAGUES, I MOVE THAT WHEN
24 WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF STAN FREBERG.
25 RENOWNED AND INFLUENTIAL SATIRIST OF VOICE, ACTOR AND

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1 COMMERCIAL PRODUCER WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 88.
2 AND I THINK OTHER SUPERVISORS, WISH TO JOIN, AS WELL. HE WAS
3 BORN IN L.A. HE GREW UP IN SOUTH PASADENA, THE SON OF A
4 BAPTIST MINISTER. BUT AFTER EARNING SCHOLARSHIPS TO STANFORD
5 AND UNIVERSITY OF REDLANDS WITH HIS ORATORICAL SKILLS AND HIS
6 BOOMING BARITONE VOICE, HE DECIDED, INSTEAD, TO PURSUE A
7 CAREER IN RADIO. HE TOOK THE BUS TO HOLLYWOOD, QUICKLY FOUND A
8 TALENT AGENT AND A JOB DOING VOICES FOR THE WARNER BROTHERS
9 CARTOON DEPARTMENT AND A VERY EARLY LIVE TV CHILDREN'S PUPPET
10 SHOW CALLED "TIME FOR BEANIE". I THINK MANY OF A CERTAIN AGE
11 REMEMBER "BEANIE AND CECIL." AND MANY OF THOSE CHARACTERS.
12 BEFORE LONG HE BEGAN A STRING OF HUGE SUCCESSFUL COMEDY
13 RECORDINGS FOR CAPITOL RECORDS INCLUDING "JOHN AND MARSHA."
14 "ST. GEORGE AND THE DRAGONETTE." AND "THE BANANA BOAT SONG."
15 AND NUMEROUS OTHER PARODIES OF POPULAR SHOWS, HIT RECORDS AND
16 COMMERCIALS OF THE DAY. IN 1957 HE PRODUCED A SUMMER
17 REPLACEMENT SERIES FOR THE JACK BENNY SHOW ON C.B.S. RADIO.
18 AND WHILE IT WAS CANCELED AFTER ONLY 15 WEEKS, IT SET THE BAR
19 FOR FEARLESS AND IRREVERENT SATIRE. NO WONDER IT WAS CANCELED.
20 AND MANY OF ITS BITS WERE LATER COMPILED FOR L.P.S AND HAVE
21 EARNED CLASSIC STATUS AMONG GENERATIONS OF COMEDY WRITERS AND
22 PERFORMERS. HE CAPPED HIS RECORDING CAREER WITH HIS MOST
23 AMBITIOUS PROJECT, A MOCK AMERICAN HISTORY, AN ALBUM FOR
24 CAPITOL CALLED "STAN FREBERG PRESENTS THE UNITED STATES OF
25 AMERICA VOLUME 1" THAT QUICKLY EARNED LEGENDARY STATUS. HE

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1 WENT ON TO ESTABLISH HIS OWN AD AGENCY CALLED "FREBERG LIMITED
2 BUT NOT VERY" AND FOR SEVERAL DECADES PRODUCED A SERIES OF
3 MEMORABLE SATIRICAL COMMERCIALS FOR CLIENTS RANGING FROM
4 BUTTERNUT COFFEE AND GENO'S PIZZA TO THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH
5 AND ENCYCLOPEDIA BRITANNICA. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS SECOND WIFE
6 HUNTER, SON DONOVAN AND DAUGHTER DONE AN JEAN FREEBERG AND A
7 GRANDDAUGHTER. HIS WIFE OF 41 YEARS, DONNA, PREDECEASED HIM IN
8 2000. AND I ASK THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN
9 MEMORY OF GEOFFREY LEWIS, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE THIRD
10 DISTRICT IN WOODLAND HILLS. A VETERAN CHARACTER ACTOR KNOWN
11 FOR HIS WORK WITH CLINT EASTWOOD. AND FOR HUNDREDS OF OTHER
12 FILM AND TV ROLES WHO RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 79.
13 HE FIRST BEGAN APPEARING IN EPISODIC TELEVISION IN THE LATE
14 '50S. AND BY THE 1970S APPEARING IN FILMS AS WELL. AFTER YEARS
15 OF WORK IN WESTERNS SUCH AS "BONANZA" AND "GUNSMOKE," HE
16 GRADUATED TO FEATURE WESTERNS INCLUDING 7 CLINT EASTWOOD FILMS
17 STARTING WITH "HIGH PLAINS DRIFTER" IN 1973. DESPITE VARIOUS
18 AGE-RELATED INFIRMITIES, HE KEPT BUSY UNTIL THE END AND WAS
19 FILMING A BASEBALL MOVIE AT THE TIME OF HIS DEATH. HE'S
20 SURVIVED BY HIS FOURTH WIFE, PAULA, THEIR THREE CHILDREN,
21 MILES, MATTHEW AND HANNAH, SEVEN CHILDREN BY PREVIOUS
22 MARRIAGES, INCLUDING TWO ACTORS, JULIET AND DEIDRE, FILMMAKER
23 LIGHTFIELD AND THEIR SIBLINGS PETER AND BRANDY AND OTHER
24 FAMILY MEMBERS. COLLEAGUES, I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY,
25 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF RICHARD DYSART. AN EMMY AWARD-WINNING

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1 ACTOR. BEST KNOWN FOR HIS REGULAR ROLE AS THE CRANKY SENIOR
2 PARTNER LELAND MCKENZIE IN THE SERIES "L.A. LAW" RECENTLY
3 PASSED AWAY AT HIS HOME IN SANTA MONICA AT THE AGE OF 86. HE
4 WAS BORN IN BOSTON, RAISED IN MAINE. FOLLOWING HIGH SCHOOL
5 SERVED IN THE AIR FORCE. EARNED A MASTER'S AT EMERSON COLLEGE.
6 INITIALLY ENTHRALLED WITH PURSUING A CAREER IN RADIO, HE SOON
7 TURNED TO ACTING FOR TELEVISION AND ON STAGE, WORKING STEADILY
8 IN EPISODIC TELEVISION, APPEARING IN VARIOUS CLASSIC AND
9 MODERN PRODUCTIONS AS A MEMBER OF THE AMERICAN CONSERVATORY
10 THEATER. IN ADDITION TO LANDING PLUMB ROLES ON BROADWAY IN
11 PRODUCTIONS LIKE THAT CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON AND THE LITTLE
12 FOXES, HE EMBARKED ON A BUSY MOVIE CAREER THAT INCLUDED ROLES
13 IN "THE DAY OF THE LOCUST", "THE HINDENBERG," AND "ENEMY OF
14 THE PEOPLE," "MASK" AND MANY OTHERS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS
15 WIFE KATHERYN JACOBI, A STEPSON ARI, TWO STEP GRANDCHILDREN,
16 ABBY AND LEVI, AND OTHER FAMILY MEMBERS. AND FINALLY, MEMBERS,
17 I MOVE THAT WHEN WE ADJOURN TODAY, WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
18 ALMA FITCH, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF THE THIRD DISTRICT IN HANCOCK
19 PARK. I BELIEVE OTHER MEMBERS WILL WANT TO JOIN IN. ALL
20 MEMBERS. RECENTLY PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 89. BORN, RAISED
21 AND SCHOOLED IN L.A., SHE STARTED AT U.C.L.A. IN 1946 MAJORING
22 IN POLY SCI. SHE BEGAN HER CAREER IN THE CALIFORNIA DEMOCRATIC
23 CLUB SYSTEM AS A PROTEGE OF ASSEMBLY SPEAKER JESSE UNRUH
24 WORKING ON THE CONGRESSIONAL CAMPAIGN OF ED ROYBAL. IN 1962
25 SHE WAS A GOLDEN GIRL FOR KENNEDY AT THE STATE NOMINATING

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1 CONVENTION. SHE HELPED ELECT JOHN FERRARO TO THE LOS ANGELES
2 CITY COUNCIL AND BECAME HIS FIELD DEPUTY IN 1966, A TIME WHEN
3 VERY FEW WOMEN WERE PROFESSIONAL STAFFERS. IN 1969, SHE HEADED
4 THE FIFTH DISTRICT COUNCILMEMBER ED EDELMAN'S FIRST RE-
5 ELECTION EFFORT, BECOMING HIS CHIEF OF STAFF AT CITY HALL. SHE
6 PLAYED A KEY ROLE IN THE HISTORIC 1972 REAPPORTIONMENT IN THE
7 CITY THAT PAVED THE WAY FOR FAIR LATINO REPRESENTATION ON THE
8 CITY COUNCIL. WHEN ED EDELMAN SUCCESSFULLY RAN FOR THE THIRD
9 DISTRICT COUNTY SUPERVISOR IN 1974, FITCH BECAME HIS CHIEF
10 DEPUTY, THE FIRST WOMAN IN COUNTY HISTORY TO HOLD THAT POST.
11 IN 1976, SHE CO-CHAIRERD JIMMY CARTER'S SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA
12 PRESIDENTIAL CAMPAIGN. IN 1980, SHE LEFT GOVERNMENT SERVICE TO
13 FOUND FITCH PUBLIC AFFAIRS, A GOVERNMENTAL RELATIONS AND
14 CAMPAIGN CONSULTING BUSINESS. SHE NEVER FORGOT, THOUGH, WHAT
15 IT WAS LIKE TO BE POOR AND DISENFRANCHISED, AND HER POLITICS
16 WERE FUELED BY EARLY DEPRESSION MEMORIES. SHE'S SURVIVED BY
17 TWO CHILDREN, PAUL AND JANET, A GRANDDAUGHTER, ALLISON STRAUS,
18 TWO BROTHERS, MARTIN AND JERRY ROSS. HER HUSBAND OF 56 YEARS,
19 VERNON, PREDECEASED HER IN 2005. THANK YOU.

20

21 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND. WITHOUT OBJECTIONS, SO
22 ORDERED. SUPERVISOR KNABE?

23

24 **SUP. KNABE:** YES, THANK YOU VERY MUCH. I HAVE AN URGENCY ON A
25 MOTION, A REWARD. I JUST GOT A CALL FROM THE LONG BEACH POLICE

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1 DEPARTMENT ASKING, THERE WAS A HIT-AND-RUN. DO I HAVE TO MOVE
2 URGENCY? I THINK IT'S ON THE AGENDA ONGOING, RIGHT? ITEM 55.
3 ON FEBRUARY 13TH, FRIDAY, 2015, AROUND 10:00, A LONG BEACH
4 POLICE OFFICER RESPONDED TO A HIT-AND-RUN TRAFFIC COLLISION IN
5 THE AREA OF SANTA FE AVENUE AND LINCOLN STREET. WHEN THE
6 OFFICER ARRIVED, HE DISCOVERED THE BODY OF A 55-YEAR-OLD JOSE
7 CUERBA LYING IN THE ROAD CRITICALLY INJURED AND HAVING BEEN
8 THROWN FROM HIS WHEELCHAIR AS A RESULT OF THE COLLISION. HE
9 EVENTUALLY PASSED AWAY AND WAS THE VICTIM OF A HIT-AND-RUN.
10 INVESTIGATORS HAVE CANVASSED THE NEIGHBORHOOD LOOKING FOR
11 WITNESSES AND VIDEO AND FEEL THEY'RE AT A POINT WHERE IT WOULD
12 BE BENEFICIAL TO OFFER A REWARD THAT MAY PROMPT RELUCTANT
13 WITNESSES TO COME FORWARD ON THIS INCREDIBLY HEINOUS CRIME. SO
14 I WOULD MOVE THAT THE BOARD OFFER A \$10,000 REWARD FOR
15 INFORMATION LEADING TO THE ARREST AND CONVICTION OF THE
16 PERPETRATOR.

17

18 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND, WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.

19

20 **SUP. KNABE:** I, TOO, MR. MAYOR UNFORTUNATELY HAVE SEVERAL
21 ADJOURNMENTS. FIRST OF ALL THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF A GOOD
22 FRIEND'S WIFE WHO JUST RECENTLY PASSED AWAY. SANDY VINATERI
23 PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 61 A LONGTIME RESIDENT OF WHITTIER.
24 SHE ATTENDED CAL STATE UNIVERSITY FRESNO. IN THE EARLY 1980S,
25 SANDY AND JOE MOVED TO WHITTIER ESTABLISHING RESIDENCE IN WHAT

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1 WOULD BE THEIR FAMILY HOME. ONE OF SANDY'S GREATEST AREAS OF
2 SERVICE WAS THE ADOPTION OF "KIDS CHURCH" FOR THE CHILDREN OF
3 PLYMOUTH CHRISTIAN CHURCH. OVER THE LAST 30 YEARS, SHE
4 CONTINUED HER INVOLVEMENT WITH THAT CHILDREN'S MINISTRY, VERY
5 INVOLVED IN THE ASSISTANCE LEAGUE OF WHITTIER AND THEIR KIDS
6 ON THE BLOCK PROGRAM. SHE WAS ALSO INVOLVED IN CAMPUS CRUSADE
7 FOR CHRIST. AND THEY BECAME VERY INVOLVED IN THE CHRISTIAN
8 MINISTRY IN OUTER MONGOLIA AND HAD TRAVELED THERE ON MANY
9 OCCASIONS. SHE WAS DIAGNOSED WITH A.L.S. IN 2011. THIS CHANGED
10 HER LIFE, AS WE ALL KNOW IN MANY WAYS, BUT CONTINUED AS NORMAL
11 AS SHE POSSIBLY COULD. HER LOVE FOR GOD, MONGOLIA KIDS
12 CONSISTENTLY CONTINUED ON. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND,
13 COUNCILMEMBER JOE, AND CHILDREN SARAH, SUZANNA AND JOE. AND
14 SHE'LL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW HER. SHE WAS A VERY KIND AND
15 CARING WOMAN. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY AND I WOULD ASK
16 THAT ALL MEMBERS JOIN ME, LEONARD AUBE, RANCHO PALOS VERDES.
17 AS YOU KNOW HE WAS THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE ANNENBERG
18 FOUNDATION, ONE OF THE LARGEST FAMILY FOUNDATIONS HERE IN THE
19 UNITED STATES. HIS ACCOMPLISHMENTS INCLUDED THE AND ANNENBERG
20 SPACE FOR PHOTOGRAPHY, AND ENBERG COMMUNITY BEACH HOUSE, THE
21 WALLIS ANNENBERG CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS, L.A. IN SYNC
22 AND ALSO A CRUCIAL ROLE IN THE RELOCATION OF THE ANNENBERG
23 FOUNDATION TO LOS ANGELES. HE WAS A PASSIONATE ADVOCATE FOR
24 THE OCEAN, A LIFE-LONG SCUBA DIVER, PROFESSIONAL MARINE
25 PHOTOGRAPHER, AND VERY INVOLVED OBVIOUSLY IN THE PUBLIC-

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1 PRIVATE PARTNERSHIP WITH THE PORT OF LOS ANGELES. HE WAS
2 HIGHLY RESPECTED MEMBER IN THE PHILANTHROPIC COMMUNITY. HE
3 WILL BE DEEPLY MISSED BY HIS FAMILY AND FRIENDS AND COLLEAGUES
4 AND OTHERS HE INSPIRED ALONG THE WAY. SURVIVED BY WIFE ROBIN,
5 CHILDREN KYLE AND KATIE.

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7 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** I'D LIKE TO SECOND.

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9 **SUP. KNABE:** ALL MEMBERS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
10 DAVID LEE RODDA, A LONGTIME FRIEND. HE WORKED FOR THE CITY OF
11 LAKEWOOD FOR 45 YEARS. AFTER RETIRING FROM HIS POST AS
12 DIRECTOR OF RECREATION AND COMMUNITY SERVICES. HE SPENT 14
13 SEASONS AS ASSISTANT TRACK AND FIELD COACH FOR HIS ALMA MATER
14 CAL STATE LONG BEACH. WON FOUR BIG WEST CHAMPIONSHIPS AS A
15 TEAM. HE HAD 11 INDIVIDUAL CHAMPIONS AND 43 ALL CONFERENCE
16 ATHLETES. HE WAS INDUCTED INTO THE LONG BEACH STATE ATHLETIC
17 HALL OF FAME. COACHED 12 OLYMPIANS AND WORKED AS A TEAM U.S.A.
18 ASSISTANT COACH THROUGH TWO OLYMPIC CYCLES. HE WAS
19 DISTINGUISHED IN 1996 AS MASTER COACH THE HIGHEST RECOGNITION
20 IN COACHING EDUCATION BY THE U.S.A. TRACK AND FIELD. HE WAS
21 ONE OF MY PARKS AND REC COMMISSIONERS FOR A PERIOD OF TIME. HE
22 IS SURVIVED BY HIS SON SCOTT AND DAUGHTER STACEY. HE'S A GREAT
23 GUY. IT WAS VERY SUDDEN. HE WILL BE TRULY MISSED BY FAMILY AND
24 FRIENDS. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF PENNY TEMPLE WHO PASSED
25 AWAY SUDDENLY ON MARCH 25TH. SHE WORKED AT THE U.C. IRVINE

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1 PHARMACEUTICAL DEPARTMENT WHERE SHE RETIRED AFTER 23 YEARS.
2 SHE THEN WENT BACK TO WORK FOR HER FATHER AT THE U-STORE-&-
3 LOCK IN LONG BEACH. SHE WAS VERY ACTIVE MEMBER OF LAS DAMAS.
4 VOLUNTEERED AT THE LONG BEACH HOSPITAL. HUGE SUPPORTER OF THE
5 LONG BEACH SYMPHONY POPS, VILLAGE CHILDREN HOSPITAL, AND THE
6 RONALD MCDONALD HOUSE. SHE ALSO RESCUED ANIMALS. SHE WAS A
7 VERY, VERY COMPASSIONATE AND GIVING PERSON. SHE'LL BE DEARLY
8 MISSED. SHE'S SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND, DON, TWO CHILDREN,
9 STEPMOTHER, SISTER, NIECE AND WILL BE MISSED BY ALL WHO KNEW
10 HER. ALSO WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF MICHAEL WICKER, BELOVED
11 BROTHER OF JOHN WICKER, CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR OF OUR COUNTY
12 PARKS AND REC DEPARTMENT PASSED AWAY ON APRIL 5TH. HE WAS BORN
13 BACK IN WISCONSIN. HE GREW UP IN MONTCLAIR, CALIFORNIA,
14 ULTIMATELY RELOCATED TO KINGMAN, ARIZONA. HE EARNED HIS
15 MASTER'S DEGREE IN MATH AND SCIENCE. WAS A TEACHER FOR RIALTO
16 SCHOOL DISTRICT AND THE KINGMAN SCHOOL DISTRICT. HE WAS A
17 LOVING HUSBAND, FATHER, GRANDFATHER AND AVID SPORTS FAN. LOVED
18 WATCHING AND ATTENDING SPORTS EVENTS. WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR
19 HIS COMMITMENT TO TEACHING AND WORKING WITH CHILDREN. SURVIVED
20 BY HIS WIFE DONNA, SONS DAVID, JOSHUA, DAUGHTER HOPE, 7
21 GRANDCHILDREN AND HIS BROTHER JOHN. WILL BE TRULY MISSED BY
22 FAMILY AND FRIENDS. ALSO THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF HARRISON
23 GREENBERG, THE SON OF SKETCHERS PRESIDENT MICHAEL GREENBERG
24 WHO PASSED AWAY SUDDENLY AT THE AGE OF 19. HE WAS ON VACATION
25 IN THAILAND WHEN HE SUFFERED A TRAGIC AND SUDDEN CHOKING

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1 INCIDENT THAT TOOK THIS VIBRANT YOUNG MAN'S LIFE. HE WAS
2 TAKING A BREAK WITH HIS COUSIN AFTER A FOUR-MONTH INTERNSHIP
3 IN CHINA. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS PARENTS AND BROTHERS. ALSO THAT
4 WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF SHIRLEY PESKIND MOTHER OF BETTY HYATT,
5 A GOOD FRIEND OF OURS WHO PASSED AWAY RECENTLY, SURVIVED BY
6 HER DAUGHTER BETTY AND HER SON. SHE'LL BE TRULY MISSED BY
7 FAMILY AND FRIENDS. AND FINALLY THAT WE ADJOURN IN MEMORY OF
8 BONITA ZIGRANG OF RANCHO PALOS VERDES WHO PASSED AWAY
9 PEACEFULLY IN HER SLEEP. SHE WAS 110 YEARS OLD AND WAS THE
10 OLDEST KNOWN RESIDENT IN THE SOUTH BAY. SHE WAS A FORMER
11 VAUDEVILLE SINGER. SHE WAS THE MIDDLE OF THREE GIRLS. AT THE
12 AGE OF SIX, SHE AND HER FAMILY MOVED TO LOS ANGELES WHERE HER
13 FATHER DIED SHORTLY AFTER. TO HELP HER MOM, SHE AND HER TWO
14 SISTERS BEGAN PERFORMING AT VENICE PIER. THE MERRY GO ROUND
15 AND THE SANTA MONICA ROLLER COASTER. SHE PERFORMED IN THEATERS
16 AND WAS AN EXTRA IN MOVIES WHILE SINGING IN MACARTHUR PARK SHE
17 MET HER HUSBAND WHO PUSHED CANOES ONTO THE LAKE. AFTER THE
18 WATTS RIOTS IN 1965 SHE AND HER HUSBAND MOVED TO RANCHO PALOS
19 VERDES AND WAS PRECEDED IN DEATH BY HER HUSBAND CHARLES AND
20 TWO SISTERS. SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER TWO SONS, NINE
21 GRANDCHILDREN AND 13 GREAT GRANDCHILDREN. BONITA, 110 YEARS
22 OLD. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNMENTS.

23

24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
25 FIRST FOR THE I WILL DO A READ-IN. "ON APRIL 25TH WE'RE GOING

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1 TO BE COMMEMORATING THE CENTENNIAL OF THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE BY
2 HAVING AN INTERACTIVE ART EXHIBIT IN GRAND PARK BEGINNING WITH
3 THE UNVEILING CEREMONY AT 5 P.M. APPROXIMATELY 1,000 GUESTS
4 WILL BE IN ATTENDANCE FOR THAT CEREMONY FOR THE ART EXHIBIT
5 WHICH WILL BE DISPLAYED UNTIL MAY 31ST. SO WE MOVE AND THIS
6 WILL BE ON THE AGENDA THAT THE BOARD WAIVE PARKING FEES FOR
7 500 VEHICLES NOT TO EXCEED \$5,000 EXCLUDING THES COULD THE OF
8 LIABILITY INSURANCE AT THE HALL OF RECORDS FOR ATTENDEES OF
9 THE ARMENIAN GENOCIDE CENTENNIAL ART EXHIBIT WHICH WILL BE
10 HELD AT GRAND PARK ON SATURDAY, APRIL 25TH FROM 5 P.M. TO 10
11 P.M." AND FOR ADJOURNMENTS, LET ME JUST ALSO COMMENT THAT IT'S
12 150 YEARS AGO TODAY THAT PRESIDENT LINCOLN WAS ASSASSINATED.
13 SO MUCH MORE WOULD HAVE BEEN ACCOMPLISHED HAD HE NOT BEEN.
14 ALSO, OUR GOOD FRIEND, FORMER MAYOR, CITY COUNCILMEMBER,
15 SERVED FOR MANY YEARS, MICHAEL MESSINA DIED FROM ALHAMBRA ON
16 APRIL 10TH. HIS WIFE IS ALSO A FORMER MAYOR AND COUNCILMEMBER,
17 AS WELL, SERVING CURRENTLY ON THE CITY COUNCIL. MICHAEL WAS A
18 GOOD FRIEND, GOOD SUPPORTER. HE SERVED ON THE HOUSING AND
19 COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE AND THE PLANNING COMMISSION.
20 AND HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE BARBARA AND THEIR THREE
21 DAUGHTERS AND EIGHT GRANDCHILDREN. HE ACTUALLLY LIVED WHERE HE
22 GREW UP IN ALHAMBRA. SO HE'S A REAL COMMUNITY ICON. AND THEN
23 HAVING THE OPPORTUNITY TO SERVE HIS CITY AS A MAYOR AND
24 COUNCILMEMBER WITH HIS WIFE ALSO. ANOTHER GOOD FRIEND WHO
25 PASSED AWAY, ONE OF THE GREAT N.F.L. FOOTBALL PLAYERS AND

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1 FORMER CONSTITUENT, ART POWELL PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 78.
2 HIS BROTHER CHARLES PASSED AWAY A COUPLE YEARS AGO. HE WAS
3 ALSO A GOOD FRIEND. ART BEGAN HIS CAREER WITH TORONTO THE
4 CANADIAN FOOTBALL LEAGUE AND THEN WAS DRAFTED INTO THE N.F.L.
5 WITH THE PHILADELPHIA EAGLES. HE THEN MOVED TO THE A.F.L. NEW
6 YORK TITANS AND OAKLAND RAIDERS AND FINISHED WITH THE
7 MINNESOTA VIKINGS. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE BETTY AND HIS
8 SIBLINGS, ELLSWORTH, CARMEN, JERRY, TONY, DAUGHTERS TERI,
9 TRACEY AND SIX GRANDCHILDREN. BOTH ART AND HIS BROTHER CHARLES
10 WERE CLOSE FRIENDS OF JACK KEMP IN THE N.F.L. ALUMNI
11 ASSOCIATION. MANY TIMES THEY WOULD GET TOGETHER. AND JOIN WITH
12 STAN FREBERG THAT SUPERVISOR KUEHL HAD INTRODUCED TO
13 MEMORIALIZE OUR ADJOURNMENT. AS A LITTLE BOY GROWING UP, I WAS
14 ALSO AN AVID FAN OF CECIL AND THE SEA SERPENT AND SAYING "I'M
15 GOING TO COME HELP SAVE YOU, BEANIE." IT WAS ONE OF THE -- HE
16 IS AS CREATIVE AS JONATHAN WINTERS. THERE ARE VERY FEW ARTISTS
17 WHO ARE AS CREATIVE AND CAN DO SO MUCH. AND HE WAS A PROUD
18 GRADUATE OF ALHAMBRA HIGH SCHOOL. SO HE'S A MATADOR. VERY
19 CREATIVE AND DID WONDERFUL CONTRIBUTION TO OUR COMMUNITY. AND
20 THEN ALMA FITCH, I TAUGHT SCHOOL WITH HER MOTHER ELMA. AND
21 THEN ALMA, MY CHIEF DEPUTY CROW, AND ALMA WAS THE FIRST DEPUTY
22 RIGHT AT THE HALL OF ADMINISTRATION. SHE WAS A VERY SWEET
23 LADY, VERY NICE LADY. AND SHE SERVED HER COMMUNITY VERY WELL.
24 EDWARD ZEIER OF SANTA CLARITA PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 84. HE
25 WAS PRESIDENT OF THE GRANADA HILLS ROTARY CLUB, ACTIVE IN THE

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1 NORTH VALLEY Y.M.C.A. AND HELPED FORM THE KNOLLWOOD GOLF
2 COURSE. LONG TIME FRIEND, LINDA GREG, PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE
3 OF 77. AND SHE IS SURVIVED BY HER HUSBAND ROBERT AND THEIR
4 FOUR CHILDREN. HER HUSBAND ROBERT WAS ONE OF THE VOLUNTEERS
5 BEING HONORED YESTERDAY AT THE MUSIC CENTER WITH THE
6 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS. JAMES GREENE, PASSED AWAY AT THE
7 AGE OF 97. HE HAD SERVED AS LIEUTENANT WITH THE UNITED STATES
8 NAVY. DURING WORLD WAR II WAS VICE PRESIDENT OF M.H. WHITTIER
9 COMPANY AND EXECUTIVE VICE PRESIDENT OF BELRIDGE OIL, SERVED
10 ON THE MCKINLEY CENTER FOUNDATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS IN THE
11 SAN GABRIEL VALLEY WHICH HELPED MANY OF OUR YOUNG PEOPLE.
12 LIEUTENANT CARL LOUIS BREITINGER, LONGTIME RESIDENT OF SANTA
13 CLARITA. PASSED AWAY AT THE AGE OF 98. HE HAD WORKED FOR
14 NEARLY 30 YEARS FOR THE LOS ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S
15 DEPARTMENT BEFORE HE RETIRED. AFTER RETIREMENT, HE THEN WAS A
16 VOLUNTARY FOR THE U.S. FOREST SERVICE AND HE WAS ACTIVE MEMBER
17 OF HIS CHURCH AND VOLUNTEER FOR THE MEALS ON WHEELS PROGRAM.
18 CAPTAIN RAY PEAVEY, RETIRED CAPTAIN WITH THE LOS ANGELES
19 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT. HE HAD RETIRED FROM THE HOMICIDE
20 BUREAU IN 2007. CHARLES PADIAS, RETIRED COMMANDER OF THE LOS
21 ANGELES COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT, SERVED AS A UNITED STATES
22 MARINE AS A SERGEANT AND HIS LAST ASSIGNMENT WAS THE L.A.
23 COUNTY SHERIFF'S DEPARTMENT WITH REGION 2 PATROL. THE
24 HONORABLE IRVING STEVEN FEFFER, RETIRED SUPERIOR COURT JUDGE
25 OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY COUNTY SUPERIOR COURT. PASSED AWAY AT

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1 THE AGE OF 83, GRADUATED U.S.C. SCHOOL OF LAW. WAS APPOINTED
2 TO THE SUPERIOR COURT IN 1989 BY THEN GOVERNOR GEORGE
3 DEUKMEJIAN. HE PRESIDED OVER A VARIETY OF CASES INCLUDING
4 FELONIES, FAMILY LAW AND WAS NICKNAMED "FEISTY FEFFER" FOR BY
5 HIS COLLEAGUES FOR HIS DEVOTION TO THE LAW AND HIS HUMOR ON
6 THE BENCH. HE IS SURVIVED BY HIS SISTER, TWO SONS AND SIX
7 GRANDCHILDREN. AND ALSO, SANDRA WHO PASSED AWAY WITH JOE'S
8 WIFE AND MAYOR FORMER COUNCIL MEMBER, MAYOR OF WHITTIER AND
9 AGAIN SO SECOND BY SUPERVISOR MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS. WITHOUT
10 OBJECTION, SO ORDERED. SUPERVISOR SOLIS.

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12 **SUP. SOLIS:** I HAVE JUST TWO ANNOUNCEMENTS. ONE HAS ALREADY
13 BEEN PRESENTED BY SUPERVISOR KNABE FOR LEN AUBE, I WANTED TO
14 MENTION THAT HE DID SO MANY THINGS, TOUCHED SO MANY PEOPLE
15 ACROSS L.A. COUNTY. HE WAS SO PASSIONATE ABOUT HELPING POOR
16 PEOPLE. AND HE LED L.A. IN SYNC, A NONPROFIT COMMUNITY
17 ORGANIZATION. BUT HE BROUGHT SO MANY DIFFERENT PEOPLE
18 TOGETHER. AND HE MANAGED TO SUCCESSFULLY BRING THE ATTENTION
19 OF THE FEDERAL GOVERNMENT OUR WAY AND WAS ABLE TO HELP US GAIN
20 FEDERAL FUNDING FOR MANY PROGRAMS THAT WE ALL STRONGLY BELIEVE
21 IN. HE ALSO, I WANTED TO MENTION THAT WHILE SERVING ON THE AND
22 ENBERG FOUNDATION GAVE A TRANSFORMATIVE GIFT TO THE DOWNTOWN
23 WOMEN'S CENTER TO HELP EXPAND IT AND TO BECOME A NATIONAL
24 MODEL. THAT IS IN THE FIRST DISTRICT. SO I JUST WANTED TO
25 MENTION THAT. MY SECOND MOTION, MR. MAYOR, IS THAT I MOVE THAT

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1 WE ADJOURN TODAY IN MEMORY OF THE VICTIMS OF THE ARMENIAN
2 GENOCIDE. SINCE WE'LL BE ON OUR VISIT IN WASHINGTON, D.C., I
3 KNOW WE WON'T HAVE TIME TO PASS THIS. BUT IT'S SOMETHING THAT
4 I KNOW SOME OF US ALL WORKED ON FOR MANY YEARS IN THE
5 LEGISLATURE AND EVEN IN CONGRESS. BUT BACK IN 1915 TO 1923, 2
6 MILLION MEN, WOMEN AND CHILDREN WERE SYSTEMATICALLY DEPORTED,
7 DEPRIVED OF FOOD AND WATER AND KILLED BY THE OTTOMAN EMPIRE IN
8 A CRIME AGAINST HUMANITY WITH ONLY 500,000 SURVIVORS. THEIR
9 COMMUNITY ONCE THRIVED FROM MOUNT ARARAT TO THE MEDITERRANEAN
10 SEA. NOW LOS ANGELES COUNTY IS HOME TO ALMOST 200,000 ARMENIAN
11 AMERICANS WHO HAVE BUILT THEIR LIVELIHOOD IN THE COUNTY, MANY
12 OF THOSE WHOSE PARENTS AND GRANDPARENTS CAME HERE TO SEEK
13 REFUGE FROM THE GENOCIDE. IT IS THE HOME OF THE LARGEST
14 ARMENIAN AMERICAN COMMUNITY IN THE UNITED STATES, AND IT'S
15 THRIVING. THEIR JOURNEY TO THIS COUNTRY HAS ADDED TO THE
16 MULTICULTURAL FABRIC OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO LOS ANGELES
17 COUNTY. THOSE WHO DIED ARE SURVIVED BY GENERATIONS OF ARTISTS,
18 MUSICIANS, SCHOLARS, BUSINESS PEOPLE, ENGINEERS AND LEADERS IN
19 ALL PROFESSIONS. WE CHERISH THEIR CONTRIBUTIONS AND ARE ALL
20 MADE MUCH RICHER BY THEIR EFFORTS. THANK YOU.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
23 LET ME JUST COMMEND POPE FRANCIS WHO ALSO SPOKE OUT ON THAT
24 GENOCIDE. AND, AGAIN, WHILE WE WERE IN WASHINGTON, WITH EVERY
25 THE OPPORTUNITY TO ONCE AGAIN TALK TO THE ADMINISTRATION AND

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1 OUR CONGRESSIONAL REPRESENTATIVES THAT THEY NEED TO RECOGNIZE
2 THAT GENOCIDE BY THE UNITED STATES. OTHER GOVERNMENTS HAVE
3 RECOGNIZED IT. AND I THINK POPE FRANCIS'S REMARKS LAST WEEK
4 WERE VERY IMPORTANT. AND, AGAIN, WE DON'T WANT THIS TYPE OF
5 GENOCIDE TO OCCUR AGAIN, AS IT HAS BEEN OCCURRING IN RWANDA.
6 WE MENTIONED UKRAINE IN THE PAST. BUT IT SHOULD BE RECOGNIZED.
7 AND SO WE CAN MOVE ON INSTEAD OF CONTINUING TO HAVE THIS
8 TRAGEDY FORGOTTEN. LET ME ALSO SAY ON MICHAEL MESSINA, THAT
9 WAS COAUTHORED BY SUPERVISOR DON KNABE, THAT ADJOURNMENT
10 MOTION. OKAY. NOW WE GO ON TO SUPERVISOR FROM THE SECOND
11 DISTRICT, MARK RIDLEY-THOMAS.

12

13 **SUP. RIDLEY-THOMAS:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, MR. MAYOR. MAY I ASK
14 THAT YOU JOIN ME IN ADJOURNING IN MEMORY OF DENISE BARRY. WAS
15 BORN ON DECEMBER 1, 1970 IN LOS ANGELES AND PASSED ON APRIL 1
16 AT THE AGE OF 44. MISS BARRY WAS A BUS OPERATOR WITH THE
17 METROPOLITAN TRANSIT AUTHORITY IN OUR COUNTY, AND SHE WORKED
18 IN THE CARSON DIVISION. SHE AND HER 12-YEAR-OLD SON WERE THE
19 VICTIMS OF ROAD RAGE IN THE CITY OF HAWTHORN. AND DESPITE THE
20 INTERVENTION OF LAW ENFORCEMENT ON THE SCENE, SHE WAS FATALLY
21 SHOT BY THE SUSPECT. ONE OF THE MOST BRAZEN DISPLAYS OF
22 DISREGARD FOR HUMAN LIFE IN THE PRESENCE OF LAW ENFORCEMENT
23 THAT SOUGHT TO PROTECT HER AND HER SON. PATHOLOGICALLY, JUST
24 SIMPLY SHOT THE WOMAN WHO THEY KNEW NOT OF POINTBLANK IN FRONT
25 OF THE KID. HER FUNERAL SERVICES ARE TODAY. FAITHFUL CENTRAL

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1 BIBLE CHURCH. SHE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HER DEDICATION TO THE
2 PUBLIC. SHE SERVED AT METRO AND TO HER THREE SONS. THE PRIDE
3 SHE TOOK IN HER JOB WAS EVIDENCED BY HER METICULOUS
4 APPEARANCE. AND SHE WAS KNOWN TO HAVE AN EXTENSIVE COLLECTION
5 OF WORK BOOTS THAT SHE SHINED BEFORE WORK EVERY SINGLE
6 MORNING. SHE IS SURVIVED BY THOSE THREE SONS, MAURICE, MYLAN
7 AND JAMAN. THEY OBVIOUSLY WILL MISS HER DEARLY. I ASK THAT ALL
8 MEMBERS JOIN IN MEMORY OF DENISE BARRY. THEN OUR GOOD FRIEND
9 DR. GUS GIL, BORN SEPTEMBER 11, 1939 IN SELMA, ALABAMA. HE
10 PASSED ON APRIL 7TH AT THE AGE OF 75. IN 1965 HE EARNED A
11 BACHELOR OF SCIENCE DEGREE AT WAYNE STATE UNIVERSITY AND
12 EARNED A DOCTORATE OF MEDICINE FROM THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN
13 IN 1969. DURING HIS SERVICE AS CHIEF OF GENERAL SURGERY FOR
14 THE 207TH ARMY NATIONAL GUARD, HE COMPLETED HIS RESIDENCY IN
15 OTOLARYNGOLOGY AT THE UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN ANN ARBOR IN
16 1976, AND HE RELOCATED TO LOS ANGELES AND HEADED THE
17 DEPARTMENT OF OTOLARYNGOLOGY AT CHARLES R. DREW UNIVERSITY OF
18 MEDICINE AND SCIENCE. FROM 1978 UNTIL 2005 HE WAS A SENIOR
19 ADVISOR TO THE PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY, AN ACTIVE MEMBER
20 OF SEVERAL ASSOCIATIONS AND SOCIETIES, INCLUDING THE AMERICAN
21 COLLEGE OF SURGEONS AND THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF OPHTHALMOLOGY
22 AND OTOLARYNGOLOGY AS WELL. DR. GIL WAS ALSO PRESIDENT OF THE
23 FACULTY AT CHARLES R. DREW UNIVERSITY OF MEDICINE AND SCIENCE,
24 THE FORMER PRESIDENT OF THE UNIVERSITY ACADEMIC SENATE AND
25 DIRECTOR OF THE UNIVERSITY'S NATIONAL HEALTH INSTITUTE. HE WAS

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1 A MEMBER OF VARIOUS PEACE AND JUSTICE ORGANIZATIONS, INCLUDING
2 THE NATIONAL COUNCIL OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS WHERE HE SERVED AS
3 BOARD CHAIR FOR TWO YEARS ON THE INTERFAITH COUNCIL IN LOS
4 ANGELES. HE WILL BE REMEMBERED FOR HIS LEADERSHIP AND
5 DEDICATION TO IMPROVE THE HEALTH AND WELL-BEING OF ALL AROUND
6 HIM. HE WAS A CALM, GENEROUS, LOVING PERSON WHOSE LOYALTY TO
7 THE UNIVERSITY AND SOUTH LOS ANGELES WILL NEVER, EVER BE
8 FORGOTTEN. HE'S SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, NELLY ANN, TWO CHILDREN,
9 DEBRA ANN AND GUS, JR., FIVE GRANDCHILDREN, ONE SISTER, ONE
10 BROTHER AND MANY FRIENDS AND MEMBERS OF THE COMMUNITY AT LARGE
11 WHO WILL MISS HIM DEARLY. DR. GUS GIL. A GOOD FRIEND AND
12 SOMEONE WHO MADE HIS MARK ON OUR COMMUNITY. FINAL WORD ABOUT
13 LEONARD AUBE. I HAD THE OPPORTUNITY TO MEET HIM PRIOR TO HIS
14 WORK AT ANNENBERG WHEN HE WAS PART OF AND HEADED THE
15 DEVELOPMENT TEAM AT THE CALIFORNIA SCIENCE CENTER WHERE HE
16 MADE HIS MARK AND I THINK IT IS WELL DOCUMENTED THAT THE
17 SCIENCE CENTER AS WE NOW KNOW IT IS BETTER BECAUSE HE PASSED
18 THAT WAY. SO WE GIVE OUR RESPECT TO LEONARD, HIS FAMILY AND
19 PARTICULARLY HIS WIFE. THOSE ARE MY ADJOURNING MOTIONS, MR.
20 MAYOR.

21

22 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SECOND WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO ORDERED.
23 OKAY. 47TH.

24

25 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** MR. MAYOR, WOULD YOU LIKE US TO START?

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2 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** YOU'RE ON.

3

4 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU, MR. MAYOR, DR. MITCH KATZ, THE
5 DIRECTOR OF HEALTH SERVICES AND I'M HERE WITH MY TERRIFIC
6 COLLEAGUES FROM THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES, THE
7 DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL HEALTH AND THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC
8 HEALTH. WE KNOW YOU'VE HAD A LONG AGENDA, SO WE'RE GOING TO
9 FOCUS ON THE TOP POINTS IN TERMS OF THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE
10 A.C.A. IN LOS ANGELES. WE CONTINUE TO BE PROUD TO TELL YOU
11 THAT UNLIKE PRIOR EXPERIENCES WITH EXPANSIONS OF INSURANCE
12 THROUGH THE FEDERAL MEDICARE OR MEDICAID FOR MOMS AND
13 CHILDREN, IN THE CASE OF OUR CURRENT EXPANSION, WE HAVE
14 MAINTAINED OUR PATIENT BASE DESPITE THE FACT THAT OUR PATIENTS
15 DO NOW HAVE CHOICE, CAN GO TO OTHER PROVIDERS, 300,000
16 PATIENTS ARE ENROLLED WITH US. AND WE HAVE HAD VERY FEW
17 DROPOUTS. AND WHEN WE HAVE FOUND DROPOUTS AND WE'VE CONTACTED
18 THEM, MAJOR REASON HAS BEEN GEOGRAPHY, NOT SERVICE. MY HEALTH
19 L.A., WE ARE PROUD IS THE LARGEST COUNTY PROGRAM ANYWHERE IN
20 THE UNITED STATES FOR COVERING THOSE PEOPLE WHO ARE THE
21 REMAINING UNINSURED, THOSE PEOPLE NOT BEING COVERED BY THE
22 A.C.A. THROUGH OUR WORK WITH 180 COMMUNITY PARTNERS, OUR
23 ENROLLMENT IS NOW PAST 90,000. WE'RE VERY PLEASED OF THAT IN
24 ONLY FOUR MONTHS OF WORK. WE HAVE SUFFICIENT FUNDING TO BE
25 ABLE TO CARE FOR 146,000 PEOPLE. THIS CONNECTS THEM TO A

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1 PRIMARY CARE MEDICAL HOME. I HAVE GIVEN YOU THE NUMBERS ON THE
2 STATEWIDEN ROLLMENTS. PROBABLY THE MOST INTERESTING FROM A
3 HEALTH POINT OF VIEW IS IN THE END, IT'S NOT THE EXCHANGE
4 THAT'S GAINING THE MEMBERSHIP; IT'S MEDI-CAL. MEDI-CAL IS THE
5 LEADER IN TERMS OF WHAT'S COVERING PEOPLE IN CALIFORNIA WHO
6 WERE PREVIOUSLY UNINSURED. WE HAVE PASSED 450,000 ON THE
7 IMPANELMENT. YEARS AGO THE DEPARTMENT HAD NO SYSTEMATIC WAY TO
8 CONNECT INDIVIDUAL PATIENTS TO A PARTICULAR PHYSICIAN OR NURSE
9 PRACTITIONERS OR PHYSICIAN ASSISTANT. NOW OVER 450,000
10 PATIENTS ARE CONNECTED TO A SPECIFIC PROVIDER. WE KNOW THAT
11 IT'S CONTINUITY IN CARE AND THE RELATIONSHIPS THAT PATIENTS
12 DEVELOP WITH THEIR PHYSICIANS AND/OR NURSE PRACTITIONERS,
13 PHYSICIAN ASSISTANTS THAT MAKE THE DIFFERENCE. ORCHID
14 IMPLEMENTATION IS GOING WELL. I DID SEND YOU A LETTER. WE
15 NEEDED TO PUT OFF LAC+USC CLUSTER BY A MONTH NOT REALLY
16 BECAUSE OF AN ORCHID PROBLEM BUT BECAUSE WE HAVE ONE OF THE
17 EARLY AUTOMATED LAB COMPUTERS. AND IT WAS TOUGH TO BUILD
18 MIDDLEWARE TO GET THAT COMPUTER TO SPEAK TO THE ORCHID SYSTEM.
19 WE'RE STILL WITHIN OUR DELEGATED AUTHORITY. AND MOST
20 IMPORTANTLY, NOBODY WANTS THE SYSTEM TO GO AWAY AT THE PLACES
21 THAT ARE USING IT. OTHER PLACES HAVE HAD FAILED
22 IMPLEMENTATIONS. TURNED ON THE COMPUTER, IT DIDN'T WORK. HAD
23 THE DOCTORS REVOLTING SAYING THEY WOULDN'T USE IT. PEOPLE ARE
24 HAPPY WITH THE SYSTEM WE HAVE. E-CONSULT, PROBABLY THE SINGLE
25 THING WE GET ASKED MOST ABOUT NATIONALLY. WE'RE NOW ALMOST

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1 35,000 CONSULTATIONS ARE BEING DONE ELECTRONICALLY PER
2 QUARTER. PEOPLE ARE JUST AMAZED THAT A PLACE AS LARGE AS L.A.
3 COUNTY HAS BEEN ABLE TO PULL OFF THIS KIND OF SYSTEM, WHICH
4 HAS ONLY BEEN DONE IN SMALL PILOTS IN OTHER AREAS. AND WE'VE
5 BEEN ABLE TO DO IT WHILE KEEPING OUR RESPONSE RATES UNDER
6 THREE DAYS BY SPECIALISTS. DIABETIC RETINOPATHY, NUMBER 1
7 CAUSE OF PREVENTIBLE BLINDNESS IN LOS ANGELES IS DIABETES.
8 IT'S 100 PERCENT PREVENTIBLE IF YOU DO THE LASER IN TIME. TO
9 KNOW THAT, YOU HAVE TO DO RETINAL SCANS. NOT ENOUGH
10 OPHTHALMOLOGISTS TO POSSIBLY SEE ALL OF THE DIABETICS IN LOS
11 ANGELES. WE ARE GOING LIVE NOW AT EVERY SINGLE CENTER WITH
12 RETINAL CAMERAS. TWO-THIRDS OF THE PEOPLE DO NOT NEED ANY
13 FURTHER EYE EXAMINATIONS. AND SO THIS ENORMOUSLY CUTS DOWN THE
14 WAIT. LOTS TO DO. BUT I THINK WE'RE DOING QUITE WELL. AND I'M
15 GOING TO HAPPILY MOVE TO THE DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES,
16 SHERYL SPILLER. SPILL SPILL THANK YOU. GOOD AFTER.

17

18 **SHERYL SPILLER:** GOOD AFTERNOON, I'M SHERYL SPILLER, THE
19 DIRECTOR OF THE DEPARTMENT SOCIAL SERVICES. TODAY'S REPORT
20 WILL INCLUDE THE DEPARTMENT'S PROGRESS IN THREE AREAS: THE
21 ENROLLMENT OF INDIVIDUALS INTO MEDI-CAL, THE 2015 RENEWAL
22 PROCESS AND THEN THE ONGOING CHALLENGES INCLUDING LITIGATION
23 AGAINST THE STATE AND PROBLEMS WITH THE STATE'S ELIGIBILITY
24 COMPUTER SYSTEM KNOWN AS CAL HEARS FIRST THE MEDICARE
25 BENEFICIARIES. AS OF FEBRUARY 2015, APPROXIMATELY 2.6 MILLION

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1 INDIVIDUALS IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARE NOW COVERED BY THE MEDI-
2 CAL PROGRAM. THIS IS AN INCREASE OF NEARLY 1 MILLION RESIDENTS
3 HAVING HEALTH COVERAGE SINCE THE IMPLEMENTATION OF HEALTHCARE
4 REFORM. IN SPITE OF THE ONGOING CAL HEARS ISSUES, D.P.S.S.
5 CONTINUES TO ASSIST INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE EMERGENT MEDICAL
6 NEEDS AND WHOSE APPLICATIONS HAVE BEEN PENDING OVER 45 DAYS.
7 WE'RE DOING THIS BY APPROVING MEDI-CAL DIRECTLY INTO THE
8 STATE'S MEDI-CAL ELIGIBILITY DATA SYSTEM KNOWN AS MEDS. AS
9 SHOWN FROM THIS SLIDE, TO DATE WE'VE APPROVED 66,174
10 BENEFICIARIES DIRECTLY ONTO THE MEDS SYSTEM. SECONDLY, THE
11 RENEWAL PROCESS. THE NEW RENEWAL PROCESS AUTOMATICALLY
12 REEVALUATES EACH CASE FROM ON GOING ELIGIBILITY BY MATCHING
13 THE CASE INFORMATION TO THE FEDERAL DATA HUB. IF THERE'S NO
14 DISCREPANCIES DOING THE MATCH PROCESS AND MEDI-CAL BENEFITS
15 ARE APPROVED FOR ANOTHER YEAR. IF THERE ARE DISCREPANCIES THEN
16 THE BENEFICIARY WILL GO THROUGH A MANUAL REVIEW PROCESS AND
17 WILL RECEIVE A PREPOPULATED FORM TO REVIEW, UPDATE AND RETURN
18 TO THE ELIGIBILITY WORKER. THIS IS A LABOR-INTENSIVE PROCESS
19 AND REQUIRES MULTIPLE FOLLOWUP BY THE ELIGIBILITY WORKER
20 BEFORE ANY NEGATIVE ACTION CAN BE TAKEN. AS SEEN IN THE SLIDE,
21 THE NUMBER OF CASES BEING RENEWED THROUGH THE AUTOMATIC
22 PROCESS IS LESS THAN THE MANUAL AND LABOR-INTENSIVE PROCESS,
23 AND WE EXPECT THIS TO IMPROVE OVER TIME, SEEING MORE CASES
24 BEING ABLE TO GO THROUGH THE AUTOMATIC PROCESS. THIRDLY,
25 ONGOING CHALLENGES. ADVOCATES FILED TWO LAWSUITS AGAINST THE

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1 STATE IN 2014. THE FIRST IS IN REGARDS TO THE DELAYS IN
2 PROCESSING APPLICATIONS TIMELY. IN JANUARY 2015, THE JUDGE
3 RULED THAT THE STATE MUST ISSUE BENEFITS AND PROVIDE
4 APPLICANTS WITH A NOTICE FOR APPLICATIONS PENDING MORE THAN 45
5 DAYS. AS A RESULT, THE STATE PROVIDED COUNTIES WITH
6 INSTRUCTIONS TO AUTHORIZE BENEFITS DIRECTLY INTO MEDS FOR
7 POTENTIALLY ELIGIBLE PARTICIPANTS. THE STATE HAS ALSO
8 GENERATED A NOTICE REFERRED TO AS RIVERA NOTICE TO THE
9 POPULATION TO COMPLY WITH THE JUDGE'S RULING. THE SECOND
10 LAWSUIT ALLEGED THAT THE BENEFICIARIES WERE NOT PROPERLY
11 NOTIFIED OF THE REQUIRED RENEWAL PROCESS. IN THIS LAWSUIT THE
12 ADVOCATES ALSO REQUESTED AN INJUNCTION TO STOP THE TERMINATION
13 OF BENEFITS FOR INDIVIDUALS WHO FAILED TO COMPLETE THE RENEWAL
14 PROCESS. THIS INJUNCTION WAS NOT GRANTED, AND THERE HAS BEEN
15 NO FURTHER ACTION TAKEN. THE CALHEERS SYSTEM ISSUES INVOLVE AN
16 INACCURATE ELIGIBILITY DETERMINATION AND DELAYED PROCESSING
17 CONTINUE TO CREATE CHALLENGES FOR ALL THE COUNTIES AND FOR MY
18 DEPARTMENT IN PARTICULAR. TO ADDRESS THESE ISSUES, THE STATE
19 HAS DEVELOPED A 24-MONTH ROAD MAP TO FIX CALHEERS. BUT IT'S
20 TARGETED FOR COMPLETION BY DECEMBER OF 2016. WE ANTICIPATE
21 CONTINUED SYSTEM ISSUES AND INCREASED STAFF WORKLOAD UNTIL THE
22 CAL HEARS ISSUES ARE CORRECTED. IN SPITE OF THESE CHALLENGES,
23 MY STAFF CONTINUE TO WORK DILIGENTLY TO PROVIDE HEALTH CARE
24 BENEFITS TO THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. JUST AS A
25 REMINDER, THE COVER CALIFORNIA WAS EXTENDED THROUGH APRIL THE

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1 3RD, 2015. THE EXTENSION WAS GRANTED TO ACCOMMODATE TAXPAYERS
2 WHO WERE UNAWARE THAT POTENTIAL PENALTIES FOR NOT HAVING
3 HEALTH COVERAGE. IN CLOSING D.P.S.S. CONTINUES TO PARTNER WITH
4 THE STATE, OUR FELLOW COUNTY DEPARTMENTS, ADVOCATES IN THE
5 COMMUNITY TO ENSURE THAT THE RESIDENTS OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY
6 ARE ABLE TO RECEIVE AND MAINTAIN HEALTH COVERAGE. THANK YOU.

7

8 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

9

10 **CYNTHIA HARDING:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MR. MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS.
11 CYNTHIA HARDING, THE INTERIM DIRECTOR FOR THE L.A. COUNTY
12 DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND I'M HAPPY TO PRESENT TO YOU
13 VERY BRIEFLY THE ACCOMPLISHMENTS OF OUR DEPARTMENT IN
14 IMPLEMENTING THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT AND THE BENEFITS WE'VE
15 SEEN FROM THE FUNDING STREAMS THAT THIS ACT HAS MADE AVAILABLE
16 FOR PUBLIC HEALTH. WE'VE TALKED TO YOU BEFORE ABOUT THE STATE
17 MEDI-CAL OUTREACH AND ENROLLMENT GRANT. AGAIN, \$7 MILLION OVER
18 TWO YEARS. D.P.H. OVERSEAS A GRANT COLLABORATIVE OF FIVE
19 COUNTY DEPARTMENTS THAT ARE WORKING TOGETHER ON OUTREACH AND
20 ENROLLMENT OF PEOPLE IN MEDI-CAL. THE UPDATE IS THAT THE STATE
21 HAS ALLOCATED AN ADDITIONAL 4.8 MILLION FOR SPECIFIC RENEWAL
22 ASSISTANCE TO HELP US ASSIST PEOPLE WITH MEDI-CAL RENEWALS AND
23 WILL EXTEND THE GRANT THROUGH DECEMBER 2016. A LITTLE BIT OF
24 ACCOMPLISHMENTS UNDER THAT GRANT. TO DATE, WE HAVE CONDUCTED A
25 MEDI-CAL OUTREACH ACTIVITIES TO ALMOST 56,000 INDIVIDUALS.

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1 THIS IS THE -- IT EXCEEDS OUR TARGET FOR FISCAL YEAR '14/'15
2 FOR THE OUTREACH ACTIVITIES. IN TERMS OF ACTUAL MEDI-CAL
3 APPLICATIONS ASSISTED, OVER 12,000 INDIVIDUALS TO DATE HAVE
4 BEEN ASSISTED WITH THE APPLICATIONS. CONFIRMED ENROLLMENTS ARE
5 ONLY AT ABOUT 21 PERCENT OF THOSE ASSISTED APPLICATIONS. AND
6 AGAIN THAT'S DUE TO THE ISSUES THAT MISS SPILLER BROUGHT UP IN
7 HER PRESENTATION. OUR SUBSTANCE USE PREVENTION AND CONTROL
8 PROGRAM CONTINUES TO WORK ON EXPANDING THE CONTINUUM OF CARE
9 FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE TREATMENT. PRE-A.C.A. WHO HAD ACCESS TO
10 OUR SERVICES. FOLLOWING THE A.C.A., WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO
11 EXPAND THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE WHO CAN ACCESS THESE SERVICES AS
12 WELL AS THE SPECTRUM OF SERVICES. AND WHAT WE'RE WORKING ON
13 TODAY IS THE PLAN FOR L.A. COUNTY TO PARTICIPATE IN THE DRUG
14 MEDI-CAL WAIVER, WHICH WILL INCREASE AND EXPAND SERVICES, AS
15 WELL. OUR COMMUNITY HEALTH SERVICES CONTINUES TO WORK ON
16 BILLING AND ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS. WE ARE WORKING WITH
17 D.H.S. ON IMPLEMENTING THE SAME HEALTH RECORD THAT THEY'RE
18 USING, ORCHID. AND WE'VE BEEN WORKING AND PARTNERING WITH
19 D.H.S. ON BILLING IN OUR PUBLIC HEALTH CENTERS SO THAT WE NOW
20 HAVE A TARGET, A PILOT FOR BILLING FOR DIRECT T.V., DIRECT
21 OBSERVED THERAPY AND FIVE OF OUR HEALTH CENTERS AND WE'RE
22 COMPLETING A PILOT ON TARGETED CASE MANAGEMENT. A WAY TO DRAW
23 DOWN ADDITIONAL MATCHING FEDERAL FUNDS AT FIVE OF OUR HEALTH
24 CENTERS FOR FOR THE CASE MANAGEMENT OF DISEASE. WE'VE BEEN
25 SUCCESSFULLY IMPLEMENTING TARGETED CASE MANAGEMENT IN OUR

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1 NURSE HOME VISITATION PROGRAM. A HOME VISITATION FOR FIRST
2 TIME YOUNG MOTHERS LIVING IN POVERTY. AND THIS SLIDE IS JUST
3 TO REMIND YOU OF THE OPPORTUNITIES AND THE FUNDING THAT WE'VE
4 BEEN ABLE TO RECEIVE THROUGH THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT. IT
5 AUTHORIZED A NUMBER OF FUNDING STREAMS, PARTICULARLY THE
6 PUBLIC HEALTH PREVENTION FUND. AND WE HAVE BENEFITED IMMENSELY
7 FROM THAT. I'LL TOUCH ON THAT BRIEFLY IN THE NEXT COUPLE OF
8 SLIDES. THE EPIAN LAB CAPACITY FUNDING HAS ALLOWED US TO
9 STRENGTHEN THE ABILITY OF OUR PUBLIC HEALTH LAB TO CONDUCT
10 SURVEILLANCE AND ASSESSMENT FOR VARIOUS DEALS PATHOGENS. WE
11 BECAME THE FIRST LABORATORY IN CALIFORNIA TO BE ABLE TO TEST
12 FOR EBOLA AND MERS. AND MORE RECENTLY WE'VE RECEIVED ADVANCED
13 STATUS LABORATORY CLASSIFICATION WHICH IS NORMALLY RESERVED
14 ONLY FOR STATES BUT WE'VE BEEN ABLE TO RECEIVE THAT FOR LOS
15 ANGELES COUNTY AND IT IT ALLOWS US TO PERFORM ADDITIONAL TEST
16 METHODS FOR EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS AND PARTICIPATE IN LAB TEST
17 DEVELOPMENT AND SERVE FOR SURGE TESTING SITES FOR SURROUNDING
18 JURISDICTIONS. I HAVE SPOKEN BEFORE ABOUT THE CHRONIC DISEASE
19 AND INJURY PREVENTION FUNDING THAT WE RECEIVED. THE COMMUNITY
20 TRANSFORMATION GRANT HAS ENDED. AND IF YOU GO TO OUR WEBSITE
21 THERE ARE A NUMBER OF ACCOMPLISHMENTS LISTED THERE ABOUT WHAT
22 THAT GRANT HAS ALLOWED US TO DO. I'VE MENTIONED THAT IN
23 PREVIOUS PRESENTATIONS. AND WE ARE LAUNCHING THE NEW FUNDING
24 THE STATE AND LOCAL PUBLIC HEALTH ACTIONS WHERE WE WILL FOCUS
25 ON ENVIRONMENTS TO IMPROVE -- TO PROMOTE HEALTHFUL BEHAVIORS

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1 AND THEN HEALTH SYSTEM INTERVENTIONS. AND WE'RE PARTNERING AS
2 WELL AS COMMUNITY PARTNERS AND THE OFFICE OF WOMEN'S HEALTH.
3 AND WITH THAT I'M GOING THE TURN IT OVER TO DR. K.

4

5 **SUP. KNABE:** COULD I JUST ASK A QUESTION ON THE PUBLIC HEALTH
6 PIECE, MR. MAYOR? ON THAT ADDITIONAL \$4.8 MILLION A FEW SLIDES
7 BACK WHERE THE STATE CONTINUING OUR MEDICARE OUTREACH AND
8 ENROLLMENT. WAS THAT A NORMAL EXTENSION OR WAS THERE A PROBLEM
9 WITH THE OUTREACH AND THE ENROLLMENTS? WAS IT JUST A TIME
10 EXTENSION TO GET MORE? OR WAS THERE A PROBLEM?

11

12 **CYNTHIA HARDING:** NO, THERE WASN'T A PROBLEM. THEY HAD
13 ADDITIONAL FUNDING AND BECAUSE WE WERE DOING A GOOD JOB THEY
14 WANTED TO GIVE IT TO L.A. COUNTY. SO WE'RE GETTING 4.8
15 ADDITIONAL AND THEY ARE EXTENDING OUR TIME TO-

16

17 **SUP. KNABE:** IT WAS A REWARD VERSUS A PROBLEM.

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19 **CYNTHIA HARDING:** EXACTLY. IT'S A REWARD.

20

21 **SUP. KNABE:** OKAY, THANK YOU.

22

23 **DR. ROBIN KAY:** GOOD AFTERNOON, MAYOR AND SUPERVISORS, DR.
24 ROBIN KAY, CHIEF DEPUTY DIRECTOR FOR THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
25 HEALTH. AND I'M GOING TO JUST VERY BRIEFLY TOUCH ON TWO

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1 ASPECTS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF THE A.C.A. ONE HAVING TO DO WITH
2 SERVICE CAPACITY AND ACCESS WITHIN THE DEPARTMENT OF MENTAL
3 HEALTH AND THE OTHER AN UPDATE ON OUR HEALTH NEIGHBORHOOD
4 INITIATIVE, A WAY OF ORGANIZING SERVICE DELIVERY. ON THE
5 SERVICE CAPACITY AND ACCESS ISSUE, THE DEPARTMENT CONTINUES TO
6 SEE A LITTLE SHY OF 7,000 NEW CLIENTS A MONTH. WE TRACK EACH
7 MONTH THE STATUS OF CLIENTS COMING IN AND MONTH OVER MONTH
8 WHAT WE SEE IS THAT ABOUT 50 PERCENT OF OUR NEW CLIENTS ARE
9 CHILDREN AND YOUTH WHO HAVE E.P.S.D.T. MEDICAL BENEFITS. ABOUT
10 18 PERCENT TRADITIONAL MEDI-CAL FOR PEOPLE WHO ARE DISABLED BY
11 MENTAL ILLNESS OR OTHER ISSUES AND ABOUT 15 PERCENT OF OUR
12 CLIENTS ARE COMING IN WELL ELIGIBILITY FOR THE MEDICAID
13 EXPANSION BENEFITS. WE CONTINUE TO SEE A REDUCTION IN THE
14 NUMBER OF INDIVIDUALS WHO COME IN WHO HAVE NO BENEFITS WHO ARE
15 UNFUNDED OR INDIGENT AT THE POINT OF RECEIVING SERVICES. THIS
16 IS A NEW GRAPH. IT GIVES YOU A YEAR OVER YEAR PICTURE OF
17 TRENDS. AND WHAT YOU SEE IS COMPARISON OF THE SAME TIME
18 PERIODS LAST YEAR AND THIS YEAR THAT AGAIN INDIGENT CLIENTS
19 COMING IN ARE DECREASING. AND YOU SEE THE INCREASE IN THE
20 MEDICAID EXPANSION POPULATION AND THE TRADITIONAL MEDI-CAL
21 POPULATION. THAT WAS A SOMEWHAT CONTROVERSIAL ISSUE. THERE WAS
22 SOME QUESTION ABOUT WHETHER OR NOT WE WOULD CONTINUE TO SEE AN
23 INCREASE IN PEOPLE WHO WERE DISABLED BY THEIR MENTAL ILLNESS
24 AND ACTUALLY IT SLIGHTLY OUTSTRIPS THE NUMBER OF PEOPLE COMING
25 IN TO MENTAL HEALTH WHO HAVE MEDICAID EXPANSION BENEFITS. WE

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1 DO REPORT EACH UPDATE ON THE SUCCESS THAT THE DEPARTMENT HAS
2 IN ACHIEVING A GOAL RELATED TO HOW QUICKLY WE'RE ABLE TO SEE
3 INDIVIDUALS WHO HAVE AN URGENT NEED FOR MENTAL HEALTH
4 SERVICES. AND I'M PLEASED TO LET YOU KNOW THAT 76 PERCENT OF
5 THE CLIENTS REFERRED TO US BY MANAGED CARE OR BY OUR SISTER
6 DEPARTMENTS ARE SEEN WITHIN THREE DAYS OF REFERRAL AND 99
7 PERCENT OF ALL REFERRALS FOR URGENT CARE ARE SEEN WITHIN THE
8 FIRST FIVE DAYS. AND THE GOAL IS TO SEE PEOPLE WITHIN SEVEN
9 DAYS. THAT'S THE NATIONAL BENCHMARK. SO WE GREATLY EXCEED THAT
10 STANDARD. WE DO ALSO SEE AN INCREASING NUMBER OF URGENT
11 REFERRALS EACH MONTH PRIMARILY AS PHYSICIANS AND OTHERS WHO
12 ARE WORKING WITH THE LOCAL HEALTH PLANS, L.A. CARE AND
13 HEALTHNET DEVELOP A KNOWLEDGE OF HOW TO MAKE THOSE REFERRALS
14 AND THOSE URGENT REFERRALS ARE EXPECTED TO INCREASE. D.M.H.
15 HAS PARTNERED WITH PUBLIC HEALTH AND WITH D.H.S. AND WITH
16 OTHER COMMUNITY-BASED PROVIDERS TO TRY AND LOOK AT A DIFFERENT
17 WAY OF ORGANIZING SERVICE DELIVERY. WE CALL THOSE OUR HEALTH
18 NEIGHBORHOODS. WE CONTINUE TO MAKE A TREMENDOUS AMOUNT OF
19 PROGRESS IN ORGANIZING CARE GEOGRAPHICALLY BOTH IN THE FIRST
20 FIVE AREAS IN WHICH WE DEVELOPED HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS AND NOW
21 IN TWO ADDITIONAL AREAS. THIS SLIDE SHOWS YOU BOTH THE FIRST
22 FIVE HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS THAT WERE IMPLEMENTED AS PART OF THE
23 COUNTY STRATEGIC PLAN AND THOSE FIRST FIVE AREAS WERE
24 LANCASTER, PACOIMA, BOYLE HEIGHTS, WATTS-WILLOWBROOK AND
25 CENTRAL LONG BEACH. AND DURING THE COURSE OF THE LAST SEVERAL

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1 MONTHS, WE'VE ADDED TO THAT EL MONTE AND SOUTHEAST LOS
2 ANGELES. AND WHAT YOU SEE HERE ARE THE NUMBER OF DIFFERENT
3 TYPES OF PROVIDERS THAT HAD SIGNED ON TO THAT HEALTH
4 NEIGHBORHOOD COLLABORATION. IT'S A WAY OF ORGANIZING CARE,
5 INSURING ACCESS TO CARE FOR PARTNERS IN THOSE NEIGHBORHOODS SO
6 THAT, FOR EXAMPLE, IF A HEALTH PROVIDER NEEDED TO ACCESS
7 MENTAL HEALTH SERVICES, THEY HAVE IMMEDIATE ACCESS TO THE
8 MENTAL HEALTH PARTNER AGENCIES THAT ARE LOCATED GEOGRAPHICALLY
9 SO THAT IT'S EASY FOR CLIENTS TO ACTUALLY ACCESS THAT CARE.
10 ALL OF THESE PROVIDERS ARE IN THE PROCESS OF SIGNING ON TO
11 MOU.S AGREEING TO TWO THREE THINGS: TO IMPROVE ACCESS TO CARE
12 FOR THEIR PARTNER AGENCIES AND THEIR CLIENTS OR PATIENTS TO
13 IMPROVE CARE COORDINATION THROUGH COMMON CARE PLANS AND ALSO
14 FINALLY TO SHARE COMMUNICATION AROUND THE NEEDS OF THE CLIENTS
15 THAT THEY JOINTLY SERVE. THE OTHER FOCUS OF HEALTH
16 NEIGHBORHOODS IS TO WORK ON PREVENTION AND REDUCTION OF HEALTH
17 DISPARITIES. AND IN THIS ENDEAVOR, D.M.H. AND PUBLIC HEALTH
18 ARE SEEN AS PARTNERS AND SUPPORTS TO OTHER PLACE-BASED
19 INITIATIVES THAT ARE ALREADY IN EXISTENCE IN LOS ANGELES
20 COUNTY. SO WE PARTNERED WITH FIRST FIVE, WITH THE BEST START
21 INITIATIVE D.M.H. HAS ALSO PARTNERED WITH THE PUBLIC HEALTH
22 PLANNING INITIATIVES IN EACH SPA. AND THIS IS JUST A SLIDE
23 THAT SHOWS YOU ONE EXAMPLE. UP IN THE PACOIMA AREA, ONE OF THE
24 FIRST HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS, A GROUP OF CONCERNED INDIVIDUALS
25 WHO WERE WORKING WITH FIRST FIVE IDENTIFIED THE FACT THAT

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1 CAREGIVERS OF D.C.F.S. INVOLVED CHILDREN NEEDED MORE EMOTIONAL
2 SUPPORT, MORE KNOWLEDGE, MORE EDUCATION, MORE HELP IN KNOWING
3 HOW TO NAVIGATE NOT JUST THE D.C.F.S. SYSTEM BUT SOCIAL
4 SERVICES THROUGHOUT THAT PART OF LOS ANGELES. AND SO WE
5 BROUGHT TO THE TABLE OUR EXPERTS AND BEGAN WORKING AND
6 DELIVERING BIWEEKLY MEETINGS WITH ABOUT 20 TO 25 CAREGIVERS.
7 THAT NUMBER IS GROWING. FOCUSING ON PROVIDING THEM WITH
8 EDUCATION AND ADVOCACY. MANY OF THEIR QUESTIONS ARE ABOUT HOW
9 TO DEAL WITH ISSUES LIKE DOMESTIC VIOLENCE, BUILDING HEALTHY
10 RELATIONSHIPS WITH FAMILY MEMBERS AND WITH CHILDREN. AND SO
11 THAT'S BECOME A VERY ROBUST PARTNERSHIP BETWEEN FIRST FIVE AND
12 M.D.M.H. AND SO THERE'S A LOT MORE TO COME. BUT THIS IS JUST
13 ONE EXAMPLE OF SORT OF THE BROADER PREVENTION AND SOCIAL
14 ASPECT OF WHAT THE HEALTH NEIGHBORHOODS ARE BEGINNING TO DO IN
15 COLLABORATION WITH OUR PARTNERS. SO THAT'S IT.

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17 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH. NO QUESTIONS. WE
18 HAVE TWO PUBLIC COMMENTS SHEILA WARD AND ARNOLD SACHS. AND
19 SUPERVISOR SOLIS HAS A QUESTION SHE WANTS TO ASK DR. KATZ.

20
21 **SUP. SOLIS:** YOU CAN TAKE MINE UP NOW, I WANT TO ASK DR. KATZ,
22 A QUESTION. THANK YOU FOR YOUR PRESENTATION. AND I WANT TO
23 THANK ALL THE STAFF. I'M GLAD TO SEE THERE'S IMPROVEMENTS IN
24 TERMS OF NEIGHBORHOOD COLLABORATIVE INVOLVEMENTS. ESPECIALLY
25 ONE OF THE SLIDES I SAW REACHING OUT NOW TO EL MONTE AND TO

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1 THE SOUTHEAST AREA. VERY CRITICAL SINCE THAT IS A GOOD PORTION
2 OF THE FIRST DISTRICT. SO I WANT TO COMMEND YOU ON THAT AND
3 HOPE TO HEAR MORE ABOUT HOW WE CAN BE SUPPORTIVE OF THAT. BUT
4 MY QUESTION IS FOR DR. KATZ. DR. KATZ YOU AND I HAVE TALKED IN
5 THE PAST ABOUT MY HEALTH L.A. I THINK IT'S A VERY IMPORTANT
6 PROGRAM. I'M SO PLEASED THAT THIS BOARD TOOK THAT INITIATIVE
7 TO HELP EXPAND THIS PROGRAM AND PUT IT IN PLACE AS ONE OF THE
8 FEW ACROSS THE COUNTRY. AND I KNOW THAT WE'RE TO BE LAUDED FOR
9 THAT BECAUSE IT'S A GREAT OPPORTUNITY I THINK TO BRING PEOPLE
10 INTO THE SAFETY NET HERE IN LOS ANGELES COUNTY. BUT I CONTINUE
11 TO BE CONCERNED ABOUT THE FACT THAT THE ENROLLMENT PROCESS
12 OVERALL HAS BEEN SOMEWHAT CUMBERSOME AND TROUBLESOME,
13 PROBLEMATIC FOR EVEN SOME OF OUR PROVIDERS IN OUR NETWORK
14 SYSTEM. AND I RECENTLY MET WITH SEVERAL GROUPS OVER THE COURSE
15 OF THE LAST FEW MONTHS HAVE INDICATED TO ME THAT ONE OF THE
16 BARRIERS IS BASICALLY THE ENROLLMENT. WHERE ENROLLMENT TAKES
17 PLACE. AND MY UNDERSTANDING IS THAT THIS BOARD DELEGATED
18 AUTHORITY TO YOU BACK IN SEPTEMBER 9TH OF 2014 AT ONE OF THE
19 MEETINGS TO SAY THAT YOU COULD MAKE ANY PROGRAMMATIC CHANGES
20 IF NECESSARY. AND TO HELP MODIFY -- WELL, I'M HOPING THAT YOU
21 MIGHT CONSIDER MODIFYING THE PROVIDER CONTRACT SO THAT
22 INDIVIDUAL GROUPS THAT ARE OUT THERE NOW THAT ARE PROVIDING
23 SERVICES ARE NOT PROHIBITED FROM ENROLLING PEOPLE WHEN THEY
24 ARE OUT AT COMMUNITY EVENTS, HEALTH FAIRS, OR EVEN IN THEIR
25 MOBILE HEALTH UNITS, THEY'RE PROHIBITED CURRENTLY FROM

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1 ENROLLING PEOPLE INTO THIS PROGRAM. AND IT'S SUCH A VITAL
2 PROGRAM. I KNOW IT SERVES SO MANY DIFFERENT NEEDS BUT SO MANY
3 PEOPLE ARE UNDER THE ASSUMPTION WHEN YOU GO TO A HEALTH FAIR
4 OR WHAT HAVE YOU THAT THEY ARE NOT ELIGIBLE, THEN, TO FIND OUT
5 THAT THEY CAN ENROLL. AND IT'S PROBLEMATIC BECAUSE THEN THEY
6 HAVE TO GO TO A FACILITY. BRICK AND MORTAR FACILITY, TO
7 ACTUALLY DO THAT. AND IN MANY WAYS, MANY ARE WORKING AND
8 UNABLE TO GET PUBLIC TRANSPORTATION, WHATEVER IT MIGHT BE, TO
9 GET TO THE RIGHT FACILITY. SO I KNOW THAT OUR NUMBERS RIGHT
10 NOW FOR FEBRUARY WERE JUST OVER 93,000. BUT THE GOAL FOR JUNE,
11 MY UNDERSTANDING, IS ABOUT 150,000. SO WE ARE SHORT. AND I'M
12 REQUESTING THAT YOU LOOK AT ALLOWING FOR A PROVISION TO ALLOW
13 FOR PEOPLE TO SIGN UP WHEREVER THEY ARE PROVIDING THESE
14 INFORMATIONAL FORUMS AND UNIQUE OPPORTUNITIES FOR PEOPLE TO
15 ENROLL.

16

17 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU VERY MUCH, SUPERVISOR. AND I
18 SHARE YOUR CONCERN. I VIEW THIS PROGRAM IS EARLY. IT'S NOT
19 ONLY THE LARGEST AND FIRST IN THE NATION, BUT WE'RE LEARNING.
20 AND EVEN IN THE MONTHS THAT WE'VE DONE IT, WE HAVE BEEN
21 CHANGING THE ENROLLMENT PROCESSES TO TRY TO MAKE IT EASIER.
22 AND WE'RE PARTICULARLY INTERESTED IN THE QUESTION OF PEOPLE
23 WHO ARE HOMELESS WHO DON'T HAVE ONE PLACE. WE WANT TO TRY TO
24 MAKE WHATEVER CHANGES WE MAKE STILL IN A WAY THAT PEOPLE FEEL
25 CONNECTED TO A PRIMARY CARE HOME BECAUSE WE HAVE HAD SOME

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1 COMPLAINTS WHEN PEOPLE HAVE SIGNED UP AND DIDN'T REALIZE THAT
2 THE PRIMARY CARE HOME THEY WERE SIGNING UP WASN'T AT ALL NEAR
3 WHERE THEY LIVE. WE ALSO WANT TO MAKE SURE THAT WHEN THEY SIGN
4 UP AT A FAIR THAT THE INFORMATION IS PROVIDED SO THAT THEY
5 DON'T LATER GET DISENROLLED BECAUSE OF THE PAPERWORK. WE'RE
6 WITH YOU. WE MADE A BUNCH OF THINGS SO FAR. AND WE'RE NOW
7 PREPARED TO DO ANOTHER SET. I NEED TO WORK WITH COUNTY COUNSEL
8 ON THE QUESTION OF THE PROCESS, WHETHER -- IT MAY NEED,
9 DEPENDING UPON WHAT IT IS, AN AMENDMENT TO THE CONTRACT THAT I
10 WOULD BRING TO YOU. BUT I'M SURE, GIVEN THE EXPERIENCE THE
11 POSITIVE EXPERIENCE WITH THIS BOARD THAT THE BOARD WOULD WANT
12 TO MAKE THOSE CHANGES. I'M NOT SURE WHETHER THE THINGS YOU'RE
13 TALKING DO OR DON'T FIT INTO THE AUTHORITY THAT'S ALREADY
14 DELEGATED. BUT EITHER WAY WE WILL MAKE IT HAPPEN.

15

16 **SUP. SOLIS:** GOOD. AND I WOULD JUST URGE YOU TO REPORT BACK TO
17 US WITH A TIMELINE IF POSSIBLE 30 DAYS.

18

19 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** CERTAINLY 30 DAYS AND CLARIFY IF IT'S
20 WITHIN THE DELEGATED AUTHORITY, IT CAN PROBABLY BE DONE IN 30
21 DAYS. IF IT'S AN AMENDMENT THAT YOUR BOARD NEEDS TO APPROVE,
22 IT WOULD BE A LONGER PERIOD.

23

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1 **SUP. SOLIS:** YOU COULD REPORT BACK TO US, MR. MAYOR. I ASK THAT
2 WE GET A REPORT BACK AND CERTAINLY WE WOULD WANT TO WORK WITH
3 YOU AND SHARE WHATEVER INFORMATION YOU NEED TO.

4

5 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THANK YOU, SUPERVISOR.

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7 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SO ORDERED. MISS WARD, MR. SACHS?

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9 **SUP. KUEHL:** I HAVE QUESTIONS, AS WELL, IF I MAY.

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11 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** SUPERVISOR KUEHL?

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13 **SUP. KUEHL:** I'M SORT OF INTERESTED IN THE 30,000 FOOT LEVEL
14 FOR THE COUNTY ABOUT THE A.C.A. SO MY FIRST QUESTION IS: HAS
15 IT BEEN A BENEFIT TO THE COUNTY IN TERMS OF OUR OWN SERVICES?
16 I KNOW IT'S BEEN A BENEFIT TO THE PEOPLE OF THE COUNTY IN
17 ESSENCE BECAUSE THEY ARE GETTING INSURANCE, REQUIRED TO HAVE
18 INSURANCE. AND I THINK WE WERE ALL SURPRISED AT HOW MANY
19 RESIDENTS OF CALIFORNIA WERE MEDI-CAL QUALIFIED. I HADN'T
20 SIGNED UP BUT WE DIDN'T KNOW SO MANY PEOPLE WERE SO POOR THAT
21 THEY COULDN'T QUALIFY FOR MEDI-CAL AND NOW WE DO AND THOSE ARE
22 OUR PEOPLE. SO I GUESS MY QUESTION IS: HAS THE A.C.A.
23 BENEFITED COUNTY SERVICES IN TERMS OF MORE SUPPORT FOR US
24 BECAUSE MORE PEOPLE ARE INSURED AS COMPARED TO THE BURDENS,
25 THE INCREASED BURDENS, IN ESSENCE, PUT ON THE SYSTEM? OR ARE

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1 THERE NOT INCREASED BURDENS BECAUSE IN ONE WAY OR ANOTHER WE
2 WERE SERVING THE UNINSURED?

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4 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** I'LL SPEAK FOR D.H.S. AND THEN OTHER PEOPLE
5 WILL BE ABLE TO TALK FOR THEIR DEPARTMENTS. I THINK CERTAINLY
6 FOR D.H.S., 30,000 FEET, VERY POSITIVE. IN PART BECAUSE WHAT
7 IT'S DONE FOR US IS THAT IT'S PROVIDED THE INFRASTRUCTURE
8 MONEY THAT THE DEPARTMENT DIDN'T HAVE IN ORDER TO MAKE THE
9 CHANGES THAT THEN MAKE EVERYBODY'S CARE BETTER. SO WE WOULD
10 HAVE NEVER BEEN ABLE TO DO THE ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORD, THE
11 CONSULT SYSTEM, THE PRIMARY CARE REGISTRY. WE WOULD NOT HAVE
12 BEEN ABLE TO EXPAND THE NUMBER OF PROVIDERS TO THE NURSING
13 PLAN. ALL OF THE UPGRADES THAT WE'VE DONE, WE'VE ESSENTIALLY
14 DONE ON THE MONEY THAT THE A.C.A. BROUGHT IN AGAINST WHAT WE
15 WOULD HAVE ONCE RECEIVED FOR ONLY THE UNINSURED. WE'VE BEEN
16 TRYING TO PLOW THE MONEY INTO INFRASTRUCTURE BECAUSE IN THAT
17 WAY IT BENEFITS BOTH THE PEOPLE WHO QUALIFY FOR THE A.C.A.
18 UNDER MEDICAID AND IT ALSO BENEFITS THOSE PEOPLE WHO DON'T
19 QUALIFY BECAUSE EVERYBODY WHEN WE PUT UP THE SYSTEM LIKE THE
20 E-CONSULT, IT'S FOR EVERYBODY. WE DON'T MAKE ANY DISTINCTIONS.
21 AND SO FOR US IN TERMS OF INFRASTRUCTURE IMPROVEMENT, IT'S
22 BEEN HUGE.

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24 **SUP. KUEHL:** BUT THE PAYMENT FOR PHYSICIANS AND HOSPITAL
25 SERVICES IS NOT REAL GENEROUS UNDER MEDI-CAL. ALTHOUGH WE'VE

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1 GONE BACK AND FORTH ABOUT WHAT PHYSICIANS WILL BE PAID. IN
2 TERMS OF WHAT IT REALLY COSTS US TO SERVE A PERSON WHO'S
3 INSURED AS OPPOSED TO WHAT WE GET, IS THERE A BIG DISPARITY?

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5 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** NOT FOR US. I THINK WHAT YOU'D FIND FOR
6 COMMUNITY PROVIDERS, THERE IS A LARGE DISCREPANCY, ESPECIALLY
7 IN THE AREA OF SPECIALTY SERVICES. FOR EXAMPLE, IT'S VERY HARD
8 TO FIND AN ONCOLOGIST WHO TAKES MEDICAID. OR A RHEUMATOLOGIST
9 WHO TAKES MEDICAID. OR AN ORTHOPEDIC SURGEON. BUT IN PRIMARY
10 CARE, YOU CAN. WHETHER IN OUR SECTOR OR IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR
11 BECAUSE THE GAP IS NOT LARGE. AND WE ARE BECAUSE OF THE DEAL
12 WE STRUCK WITH THE STATE THE MORE WE BRING IN THE MORE THEY
13 BENEFIT SO IT'S IN THEIR ADVANTAGE TO HELP US GAIN MORE
14 FEDERAL DOLLARS. AND SO THEY DID IT BY ESSENTIALLY MAXIMIZING
15 THE FEDERAL PAYMENT TO US WHEN IT'S 100 PERCENT ON THE FEDERAL
16 DIME. IT REALLY MAKES IT IN THEIR INTEREST THAT WE DO WELL. SO
17 WE DO VERY WELL.

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19 **SUP. KUEHL:** AND THE A.C.A. ALSO REWARDS CERTAIN EFFICIENCIES I
20 THINK OR AT LEAST THAT WAS SUPPOSED TO BE BUILT IN. IS THIS IS
21 THERE ANY BENEFIT TO US FROM ANY OF THAT?

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23 **DR. MITCHELL KATZ:** THE TRUTH IS AND OTHERS CAN DISAGREE ON THE
24 MEDICAL SIDE. SO FAR THE EFFICIENCY STUFF IS PRETTY SMALL.
25 IT'S PENALTY FOR RE-ADMISSIONS. BUT NOT UNDER MEDICAID, ONLY

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1 UNDER MEDICARE. PUBLIC HOSPITALS DO RELATIVELY SMALL MEDICARE.
2 THAT'S ONE OF THE POPULATIONS WE LOST THE LAST TWO TIMES AGO
3 WHEN THINGS WERE EXPANDED. EVEN IN THE PRIVATE SECTOR, I DON'T
4 GET A SENSE THAT YET WE'RE AT THAT POINT WHERE IT'S REWARDS.
5 WHAT THE NEW SECRETARY OF H.H.S. HAS SAID, THAT IT'S HER GOAL
6 THAT 60 PERCENT OF PAYMENT BE BASED ON OUTCOME. NOW, IF YOU
7 ACHIEVE THAT, THAT WOULD BE TRANSFORMING. FOR EVERYBODY. AND
8 THERE MIGHT BE PROBLEMS, BUT I THINK RIGHT NOW, EVEN FOR
9 PEOPLE WHO DO A LOT OF MEDICARE, IT'S TOO SMALL TO REALLY
10 CHANGE THE SYSTEM.

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12 **SUP. KUEHL:** DO OTHER DEPARTMENTS HAVE AN OPINION ABOUT THE
13 IMPACT OF THE A.C.A. ON US, ON OUR COUNTY SERVICES?

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15 **CYNTHIA HARDING:** YEAH, I'D JUST LIKE TO ADD SOMETHING TO DR.
16 KATZ'S COMMENT. WHAT'S REALLY IMPORTANT FOR US IN PUBLIC
17 HEALTH ARE THE FUNDING STREAMS THAT HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED UNDER
18 THE AFFORDABLE CARE ACT. THE PUBLIC HEALTH PREVENTION FUND,
19 FOR EXAMPLE, WHICH HAS ALLOWED US TO DO A LOT OF THE WORK THAT
20 WE'VE DONE IN CHRONIC DISEASE, WORK IN PARTNERSHIP WITH CITIES
21 AND COMMUNITIES, BUILDING HEALTHIER COMMUNITIES. AND HAD WE
22 NOT HAD THAT FUNDING, WE WOULDN'T HAVE MADE THE PROGRESS THAT
23 WE MADE IN A NUMBER OF AREAS THERE. IT'S ALSO FUNDED THE
24 MATERNAL INFANT EARLY CHILD HOME VISITATION PROGRAMS, WHICH
25 HAS ALLOWED US TO EXPAND OUR NURSE FAMILY PARTNERSHIP TO SEE

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1 MORE WOMEN AND TO PARTNER WITH L.A. U.S.D. WHERE WE FUND THE
2 NURSE FAMILY PARTNERSHIP IN L.A.U.S.D. FOR PREGNANT TEENS.
3 IT'S ALLOWED US TO EXPAND THE CAPACITY OF OUR PUBLIC HEALTH
4 LAB. WITHOUT THAT FUNDING, WE WOULDN'T HAVE BEEN ABLE TO BUILD
5 THE INFRASTRUCTURE THAT WE NOW HAVE. AND WE ARE A LEADER IN
6 THE STATE IN THE WORK THAT WE'RE DOING IN PUBLIC HEALTH
7 LABORATORY SURVEILLANCE. SO I THINK THERE'S A NUMBER OF
8 FUNDING STREAMS THAT HAVE BEEN AUTHORIZED UNDER THAT
9 AFFORDABLE CARE ACT THAT HAVE GREATLY IMPACTED OUR CAPACITY
10 AND OUR INFRASTRUCTURE IN PUBLIC HEALTH IN THIS COUNTY.

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12 **DR. ROBIN KAY:** AND AND THE MENTAL HEALTH SIDE, THERE ARE
13 REALLY TWO AREAS THAT I WANT TO STRESS BOTH HAVING TO DO WITH
14 A CHANGE IN SERVICE DELIVERY STRATEGY AND THE WAY WE DELIVER
15 SERVICES. SO ONE OF THE THINGS WE'VE DONE EARLY ON WITH THE
16 IMPLEMENTATION OF THE A.C.A. WAS TO BEGIN MOVING FROM
17 CHILDREN'S PROGRAMS THAT SERVE SOLELY CHILDREN TO CHILDREN'S
18 PROGRAMS THAT SERVE CHILDREN AND THEIR FAMILY MEMBERS BECAUSE
19 WE HAD GREATER CAPACITY TO SEE THE ADULTS, PARTICULARLY THOSE
20 THAT WEREN'T REALLY, REALLY DISABLED BY A MENTAL HEALTH ISSUE,
21 BUT THOSE THAT HAD OTHER KINDS OF MENTAL HEALTH ISSUES THAT
22 COULD BE PROFITABLY ADDRESSED WITHIN THE CONSTRAINTS OF A
23 CHILDREN'S, PRIMARILY CHILDREN'S CLINIC. SO THAT WE MOVE FROM
24 AN INDIVIDUAL MODEL TO MORE OF A FAMILY MODEL OF CARE. THE
25 OTHER THING ACTUALLY STARTED BEFORE THE FULL IMPLEMENTATION OF

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1 THE A.C.A. WAS REALLY AS D.M.H. BEGAN TO ENTER THE WORLD OF
2 THE 1115 WAIVER IN ANTICIPATION OF THE A.C.A., WE USED THE
3 HEALTHY WAY L.A. OPPORTUNITY TO CHANGE SOME OF OUR SERVICE
4 DELIVERY MODELS, LOOKING AT MORE MODELS OF INTEGRATED CARE. IT
5 WASN'T JUST THE A.C.A., IT WAS THE COMBINATION OF A.C.A.
6 COMING AND M.H.S.A. INNOVATION PLANS WHERE WE BEGAN WORKING
7 WITH CONSTELLATIONS OF PRIMARY CARE AND SUBSTANCE ABUSE
8 PROVIDERS TO DELIVER INTEGRATED CARE USING A COUPLE OF
9 DIFFERENT MODELS. SO THE INTEGRATED MOBILE HEALTH TEAM, FOR
10 EXAMPLE, COMBINED PRIMARY CARE PROVIDERS, MENTAL HEALTH
11 PROVIDERS, SUBSTANCE ABUSE PROVIDERS AND HEALTHING DEVELOPERS
12 TO WRAP INTEGRATED CARE AROUND THEM. U.C. SAN DIEGO JUST
13 EVALUATED THAT PROGRAM, TREMENDOUSLY WONDERFUL OUTCOMES. WE
14 HAD AN INTEGRATED CLINIC MODEL DELIVERED IN EITHER F.Q.H.C.S
15 OR PRIMARILY IN MENTAL HEALTH SETTINGS WITH THE OTHER PARTNERS
16 ALSO AT THE TABLE, AGAIN, VERY POSITIVE OUTCOMES. NOT JUST
17 MENTAL HEALTH OUTCOMES BUT PHYSICAL HEALTH OUTCOMES. AND
18 INTEGRATED SERVICES MODEL, WHICH WAS A VARIATION ON THE THEME
19 AND FOCUSED ON THE NEEDS OF UNDERREPRESENTED POPULATIONS. SO A
20 LOT OF THE OUTREACH AND ENGAGEMENT WAS CULTURALLY SPECIFIC AND
21 ADAPTED. AND, AGAIN, SOME REALLY GOOD OUTCOMES. SO I THINK FOR
22 US, BOTH THE FUNDING AS BOTH DR. KATZ AND CINDY MENTIONED HAS
23 BEEN INVALUABLE. BUT ALSO I THINK WHAT WE'VE DONE WITH THAT
24 FUNDING IS TO BEGIN EXPERIMENTING WITH SOME DIFFERENT WAYS OF
25 DELIVERING SERVICES THAT WE'RE REALLY EXCITED ABOUT.

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2 **SUP. KUEHL:** I HAVE ONE LAST QUESTION FOR D.P.S.S. WHEN YOU
3 WERE TALKING ABOUT THE CAL HEARS IT SEEMS LIKE IT'S A BIG
4 PROBLEM FOR US. SO I GUESS MY QUESTION IS: IS THERE SOMETHING
5 THAT WE CAN DO ABOUT TRYING TO IMPROVE THE INTERFACE.

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7 **SHERYL SPILLER:** WE'RE WORKING ON IT, SUPERVISOR.

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9 **SUP. KUEHL:** WE CAN'T LET THE STATE OFF THE HOOK.

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11 **SHERYL SPILLER:** NO, AND WE'RE NOT. ALL OF THE COUNTIES ARE
12 WORKING WITH THE STATE. I THINK THAT SOME OF THE PRESSURE
13 THAT'S BEEN BROUGHT ON BY THE ADVOCATES HAVE ACTUALLY HELPED.
14 THE STATE HAS COME UP NOW WITH THIS 24-MONTH ROAD MAP. AND SO
15 THEY DO HAVE IN PLACE SOME PROGRAMMING THAT THEY THINK WILL
16 CORRECT THIS. BUT 24 MONTHS IS STILL A LONG TIME FOR US TO BE
17 UNDER THE PROBLEMS THAT WE HAVE NOW. AND WE KNOW THAT THEY'RE
18 GOING TO CONTINUE UNTIL THIS PROGRAMMING IS DONE.

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20 **SUP. KUEHL:** YOU SHOULDN'T BE RELUCTANT TO CALL ON US TO
21 COMPLAIN.

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23 **SHERYL SPILLER:** ABSOLUTELY. TO PUSH THEM. SOME PRESSURE.

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1 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** PUBLIC COMMENT. MISS WARD? MR. SACHS?

2 NOW WE MOVE TO RECEIVE AND FILE. WITHOUT OBJECTION, SO

3 ORDERED. NOW WE GO TO DINNER. OH, THEY'RE COMING UP NOW.

4 HERE'S SHEILAH WARD NOW. GOOD AFTERNOON.

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6 **SHEILAH WARD:** GREETINGS. AT ANY RATE, WE HAD A BETTER SYSTEM

7 SOME 40 YEARS AGO THAN WE DO TODAY WHEN IT COMES DOWN TO

8 HEALTH CARE. IF YOU WANT TO KNOW HOW TO DEAL WITH HEALTH CARE,

9 DISGUISE YOURSELF. WALK IN AN EMERGENCY WARD. AND SIT DOWN AND

10 WAIT TO BE SEEN. AND THEN YOU WILL SEE HOW BAD YOUR SYSTEM IS

11 WORKING. I JUST LEFT GENERAL HOSPITAL WHERE I WENT BECAUSE I

12 WANTED TO COME DOWN HERE BUT I CHANGED MY MIND BECAUSE I WAS

13 IN SO MUCH PAIN. I WENT TO GENERAL HOSPITAL. AND BECAUSE AT

14 THE TIME I COULDN'T GET UP OUT OF THE SEAT WHEN THE LADY

15 CALLED MY NAME. SHE IGNORED ME AND WENT TO THE NEXT PATIENT.

16 THAT'S THE REASON WHY I PUSHED MYSELF TO COME HERE TODAY. WHEN

17 YOU COME DOWN TO MEDICAL, WE NEED TO GO BACK AND RE-EXAMINE

18 WHAT WE CALL, EXCUSE ME, WE NEED TO GO BACK AND RECALL WHAT WE

19 CALL -- OH. PLEASE EXCUSE ME. PLEASE FORGIVE ME. I CAN HARDLY

20 BREATHE. I COULD BARELY EVEN GET HERE TODAY. THE HOSPITAL

21 SYSTEM IS FAILING US. I WAS THE ONLY BLACK PERSON THERE. THE

22 LADY IN THE RECEPTION ROOM, THEY WERE SO RUDE TO ME. THE MAN,

23 HE COULDN'T ASK ME HOW I WAS FEELING, HE WAS SO BUSY ASKING ME

24 ABOUT MY WATCH. I COULD HARDLY BREATHE AND I'M ASKING YOU WHY

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1 ARE YOU ASKING ME ABOUT MY WATCH? I NEED A WHEELCHAIR I CAN
2 HARDLY STAND UP RIGHT NOW.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU.

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6 **SHERLIAH WARD:** WHEN I GOT TO THE EMERGENCY ASPECT OF IT, THE
7 PEOPLE WERE SO RUDE. YOU NEED AT LEAST ONE BLACK PERSON TO
8 WAIT ON YOU BECAUSE AT LEAST BLACK PEOPLE HAVE COMPASSION. AT
9 LEAST WE WILL GET YOU A WHEELCHAIR. AND WE WILL ASK YOU HOW
10 ARE YOU DOING?

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12 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. IS JOSE MARTINEZ? ROBERT
13 LUCAS? IRENE PANG? ERIC PREVEN? VOSGY KOUSAYAN.

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15 **ROBERT LUCAS:** I KNOW YOU ONLY GOT A MINUTE. THIS IS HASHTAG
16 SHATTERPROOF, RIGHT? IT'S A VOICE FOR SUBSTANCE ABUSE
17 BEHAVIORAL ISSUES. THIS IS A CHALLENGE TO REPEL UP THE 34TH
18 FLOOR OF THE SHERATON HOTEL. I'M SIGNED UP. I NEED SOME
19 SPONSORS. THERE'S A FEW PEOPLE IN THIS ROOM, MAINLY YOU RIGHT
20 THERE I WANT TO SEE YOU TO RAPPEL, TOO, GOING DOWN THE
21 SHERATON HOTEL. IT'S ON JUNE 11TH. GO AND SIGN UP. I'VE GOT
22 SOME FOR EACH OF THE SUPERVISORS. AND THEN THERE'S ABOUT SIX
23 OR EIGHT OF THEM LEFT FOR EVERYBODY IN HERE. RIGHT? HELP,
24 CECIL HELP! I'M COMING, BEANIE BOY! I REMEMBER THOSE DAYS
25 QUITE WELL. COOCOO, FRED AND OLLIE. VERY HAPPY TIME FOR ME.

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1 BLACK AND WHITE TV. I LOVE YOU GUYS. DO YOU KNOW WHAT? THAT
2 REMINDS ME OF A SWEET TART.

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4 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** AND UNCLE ARCHIE.

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6 **ROBERT LUCAS:** HIM, TOO.

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8 **SUP. KUEHL:** TARA LONG THE DOTTED LION. [LAUGHTER.]

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10 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** IS ARNOLD SACHS HERE? CAROLYN ESSEX?
11 MARILYN MARINO? MISS PANG.

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13 **IRENE PANG:** GOOD AFTERNOON. I'M CONCERNED. WE NEED ALL THE
14 PROPERTY THAT YOU AGENCY LOCATE 11705 ON THE READY BOULEVARD
15 IN MONTY. ALSO THEY CAUSE INJURED TO ALL. ALSO I NEED ALL THE
16 PERSONAL PROPERTY SPREAD TO MY FAMILY MEMBERS AND I SOON. I
17 BELIEVE THAT EVERYONE KEEP OLD ENDINGS WITHOUT REGULATION.
18 SECOND. I NEED A SAFETY CONDITION AND PHYSICAL CONDITION TO
19 ALL MY FAMILY MEMBERS. MY FAMILY MEMBERS WORKING HARD. AND
20 FAITHFUL. AND MANY GOOD MATTERS TO GOVERNMENT OF U.S. AND THEN
21 TO THE GOVERNMENT U.S. NATION. BUT UNDER THE REGULATIONS
22 REALLY OPEN.

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24 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. THANK YOU VERY MUCH. XIEXIE
25 NI. XIEXIE. ZI ZEN. VOSGY? I KNOW.

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2 **VOSGY KOUSAYAN:** I'M HALF ARMENIAN. MY NAME MEANS GOLD AND SO I
3 DO APPRECIATE THE WHOLE GENOCIDE BE RECOGNIZED. AND THEN I
4 GREW UP IN BRAND PARK. GROWING UP MY FRIEND CRYSTAL HER DAD
5 WAS THE KEEPER SO USED TO GO TO WE USED TO GET TO GO TO LIKE
6 THE TEA HOUSE AND STUFF. AFTER HOURS. AND THEN ME AND MY KIDS
7 WOULD DO THAT OFTEN, TOO. NOW, SPEAKING OF MY KIDS, I JUST
8 WANT TO BE A MESSAGE FROM THE EASTER FROM THE WIFE, THE STEP-
9 MOM. SHE SAYS "THE PROBLEM IS I'M HIS WIFE AND YOU AIN'T
10 NOTHING AND YOU COME FROM NOTHING. IN THE END WE WIN BECAUSE
11 WE HAVE THE KIDS. YOU DO WHAT YOU NEED TO DO." THIS IS NOT A
12 GAME. THESE ARE MY KIDS. THERE'S NO WINNING. THERE'S NO
13 LOSING. THESE ARE MY KIDS.

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15 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. SHEILAH WARD?

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17 **SHEILAH WARD:** THERE WAS A BIG CROWD OUTFRONT, HALF OF WHICH I
18 KNEW. I JUST WANTED TO MAKE A STATEMENT THAT IN THE FUTURE, WE
19 HAVE MEETINGS 600 NORTH ALAMEDA. 600 NORTH ALAMEDA. EVERY
20 FIRST MONDAY OF EVERY MONTH. WE MEET WITH THE F.B.I., THE
21 C.I.A., THE SHERIFF, THE SCHOOL BOARD. EVERYONE IS THERE. IF
22 YOU HAVE AN UNSOLVED SOLUTION, SOMETHING YOU WOULD LIKE TO
23 STATE OR STIPULATE, PLEASE COME TO OUR MEETINGS. THEY START AT
24 7 P.M. IF YOU HAVE ANY PROBLEMS WHATSOEVER, YES, WE ARE ALL
25 PERTURBED ABOUT THE POLICE SHOOTINGS AND KILLINGS. AND MY

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1 SUGGESTION WOULD BE: DON'T GIVE A GUN TO A PERSON UNDER 40.
2 AND IF YOU KILL SOMEONE, THAT'S CALLED MURDER. YOU SHOULD GO
3 TO JAIL.

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5 **SUP. ANTONOVICH, MAYOR:** THANK YOU. MR. SACHS AND THEN MR.
6 SERRANO.

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8 **ARNOLD SACHS:** YES, THANK YOU. GOOD AFTERNOON. ARNOLD SACHS.
9 AND I DIDN'T GET A CHANCE TO SPEAK ON A COUPLE ITEMS AND I'LL
10 PROBABLY ONLY GET TO SPEAK ON ONE. 53-C, YOUR ITEM HERE, MY
11 BROTHER'S KEEPER ABOUT YOU WANT TO TAKE THE OPPORTUNITY TO
12 INFORM THE WHITE HOUSE THAT THE COUNTY WILL PARTICIPATE IN A
13 CHALLENGE TO ENSURE THAT A GREATER NUMBER OF YOUNG PEOPLE ARE
14 POSITIONED TO SUCCEED AND TAKE THE FOLLOWING RELATED ACTION.
15 IN PART I GUESS BEING SUCCESSFUL WOULD BE GETTING A JOB. SO
16 WHAT'S YOUR PLANS, NOW THAT YOU'RE PUSHING FOR THIS \$14 OR \$15
17 AN HOUR PAY RAISE, WHAT'S YOUR PLAN FOR ENTRY LEVEL JOBS THAT
18 WILL BE ELIMINATED BECAUSE PEOPLE WHO ARE GETTING PAID \$14 OR
19 \$15 WON'T BE MOVING UP THE LADDER, THEY'LL BE KEEPING THOSE
20 JOBS THAT WERE ENTRY LEVEL FOR HIGH SCHOOL KIDS AND YOUNG
21 TEENAGERS. SO WHAT IS YOUR PLAN TO OPEN UP NEW POSITIONS FOR
22 THEM? BECAUSE THEY WON'T BE AVAILABLE. HOW WILL THEY SUCCEED?
23 AS THEY'RE SUCCEEDING NOW, UNDER THE PLAN YOU HAVE IN PLACE
24 NOW? OH, WAIT, YOU DON'T HAVE A PLAN IN PLACE NOW. BECAUSE
25 THEY'RE NOT SUCCEEDING NOW. WASH, RINSE, REPEAT.

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2 **DAVID SERRANO:** GOD IS THE FATHER AND THE SON AND THE HOLY
3 SPIRIT. THE HOLY TRINITY IS THE ONE AND ONLY GOD. THE HOLY
4 TRINITY IS THE CREATOR OF THE HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE. THE
5 LORD GOD JESUS CHRIST CREATED HEAVEN AND THE UNIVERSE, AMEN.
6 CHRISTIAN SOULS AND SPIRITS ASCEND INTO THE KINGDOM OF HEAVEN,
7 AMEN. CLINES HAVE LIFE EVERLASTING WITH GOD, ALLELUIA. LIKE IT
8 IS RECORDED IN THE HOLY BIBLE IN THE BOOK OF REVELATION THE
9 INFINITE TRINITY PROPHESED THERE WILL BE A GREAT EARTHQUAKE
10 ON THE SAN ANDREAS FAULT THAT DEVASTATES REGIONS OF LOS
11 ANGELES COUNTY AS A BIG STORM WITH THUNDER AND LIGHTNING
12 DARKENS THE SKY OF LOS ANGELES COUNTY. IN A YEAR THE MOON IS
13 BLOOD RED AND THE MOUNTAINS AND ISLANDS WILL BE MOVED OUT OF
14 PLACE BECAUSE OF HORIZONTAL DISPLACEMENT. THE LAST GREAT
15 EARTHQUAKE ON THE SOUTHERN CALIFORNIA SAN ANDREAS FAULT WAS A
16 7.9 IN 1857 A.D. THE EARTHQUAKE RUPTURED MORE THAN 225 MILES
17 OF THE FAULT FROM PARK FILLED CENTRAL CALIFORNIA TO THE CAJON
18 PASS WITH HORIZONTAL DISPLATESMENT UP TO 9 METERS IN THE
19 CARRIZO PLAIN. HOWEVER THE SOUTHERNMOST SEGMENT OF THE FAULT
20 HAS NOT RUPTURED IN 300 YEARS. IT WILL COME SOON, AMEN, PRAISE
21 GOD.

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23 **LORAYNE LINGAT, DPTY. EXEC. OFCR.:** IN ACCORDANCE WITH BROWN
24 ACT REQUIREMENTS, NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE BOARD OF
25 SUPERVISORS WILL CONVENE IN CLOSED SESSION TO DISCUSS ITEMS

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1 NO. CS-2 CONFERENCE WITH LABOR NEGOTIATORS SACHI HAMAI AND
2 DESIGNATED STAFF AND ITEM NO. CS-3, CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL
3 COUNSEL REGARDING SIGNIFICANT EXPOSURE TO LITIGATION TWO CASES
4 AS INDICATED ON THE POSTED AND SUPPLEMENTAL AGENDA. ALSO
5 PLEASE BE ADVISED THAT HAD THE APRIL 21, 2015 MEETING IS
6 CANCELED TO ALLOW THE BOARD TO HOLD SPECIAL MEETING WITH
7 FEDERAL ELECTED AND APPOINTED OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON, D.C.
8 THE NEXT REGULAR MEETING OF THE BOARD OF SUPERVISORS WILL BE
9 TUESDAY, APRIL 28, 2015. THANK YOU.

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REPORT OF ACTION TAKEN IN CLOSED SESSION APRIL 14, 2015

In open session item CS-1 was continued two weeks to April 28, 2015.

No reportable action was taken on item CS-2.

CS-3. CONFERENCE WITH LEGAL COUNSEL - ANTICIPATED LITIGATION (Paragraph (2) of subdivision (d) of Government Code Section 54956.9) Significant exposure to litigation (two cases) (15-1717)

No reportable action was taken on the first matter.

The Board authorized settlement of the second matter involving allegations by the State Department of Social Services that the Department of Children and Family Services is operating unlicensed community care facilities.

The details of the settlement will be made available once finalized by all parties.

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1 The vote of the Board was unanimous with all supervisors being

2 present.

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